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"Fenton Johnson Day" at Olivet Baptist Church—Dr. Reginold Smith Honored Japanese Dancing Party Given —Lawn Fete on Tuesday Night.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

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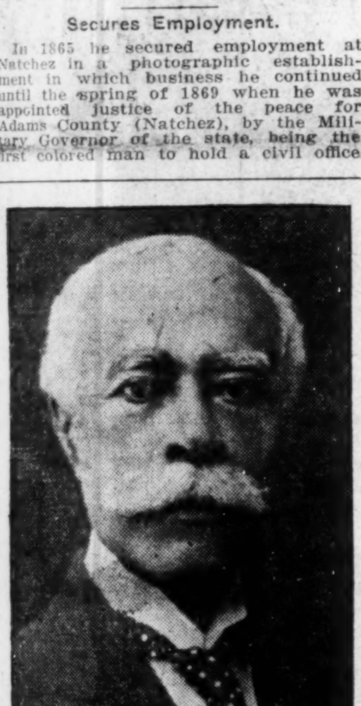
CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 2., (Special).—Recently there came to the city of Chicago, Major John Roy Lynch, one of the race's most distinguished citizens, soldier and statesman. He was born on Tacony plantation, Concordia Parish, State of Louisiana, September 10, 1847. He lived in Natchez, Miss., since 1863. His father having died in 1849, Major Lynch's mother and her children were sold into slavery shortly thereafter. When they were made free as a result of the War of the Rebellion, the major was obliged to go to work to make a living. He was thus deprived of an opportunity to acquire an early education, but before he reached manhood he had succeeded by private study and by attending night schools in getting a good English education.

Secures Employment.

In 1865 he secured employment at Natchez in a photographic establishment in which business he continued until the spring of 1869 when he was appointed justice of the peace for Adams County (Natchez), by the Military Governor of the state, being the first colored man to hold a civil office in the state. In November of the same year he was elected to the State Legislature for a term of two years and was re-elected in 1871, serving the last term as Speaker of the House of Representatives.



MAJOR JOHN R. LYNCH.

In 1872 he was elected to Congress from the Sixth or Natchez District, defeating Judge Hiram Cassidy, one of the most popular Democrats in the southern part of the state. He was reelected for the succeeding term from the same district, defeating Hon. Roderick Seal, who was also an able and popular Democrat.

In 1876 Mayor Lynch made the race for Congress against James R. Chalmers in what was called the "Shoestring District," and was fairly elected but the Democratic party having secured control of the State Government inthe meantime he was counted out, resulting in the certificate of election being issued to Chalmers. The same party at that time having a large majority in the National House of Representatives Chalmers was allowed to retain his seat to which he was not elected. Major Lynch ran in 1880, was elected but the certificate was awarded to Chalmers. The House was Republican with a small majority. He contested, the result proved that the major was elected and was seated.

Served as Chairman of Republican Executive Committee.

Major Lynch served as chairman of the Mississippi Republican Executive Committee from 1881 to 1889 and was a member of the National Republican Committee from 1884 to 1888. He was a delegate to every National Convention from and including 1872 to 1900, except two. He was elected temporary chairman of the National Republican Convention held at Chicago in 1884, defeating General Powell Clayton, of Arkansas, who was the choice of the National Committee for that position. In that contest of which many of the old readers of The Freeman recall, Major Lynch was supported by such prominent leaders as Col. Theodore Roosevelt, Hon. George W. Curtis, of New York, Hon. George F. Hoar, and Hon. H. C. Lodge, of Mass., Hon. J. B. Foraker, and the late Mark Hanna, of Ohio, and Senator Wm. O. Bradley, of Kentucky.

Stumps the Country for Harrison.

In the contest for Republican nomination for President in 1888, Major Lynch supported the candidacy of Judge Walter Q. Gresham, but made an active canvas for Harrison and upon his inauguration was tendered and accepted the Auditorship of the Treasury for the Navy Department, then called the Fourth Auditor of the Treasury. Upon the inauguration of the Cleveland Administration in 1893, Major Lynch retired to private life where he remained until June, 1898.

McKinley Appoints Him Paymaster.

When Congress called for volunteers, Major Wm. McKinley, President of the United States, appointed him major and additional paymaster of volunteers. At the end of the Spanish-American war he was retired as a paymaster in the regular army in the grade of a captain and in September, 1906, was promoted to the rank of major and paymaster which position he occupied until September, 1911, when he was retired by operation of law, having reached the age limit of 64 years.

Experiences as an Army Officer.

As an army paymaster Major Lynch had some peculiar experiences, among them the alleged refusal of a Texas Regiment of volunteers stationed at Jacksonville, Fla., and in the fall of 1898, the regiment refused to be paid by him because he was a colored man. The major was appealed to by local military authorities to give way voluntarily in the interest of peace and allow the regiment to be paid off by a white paymaster, but this he positively refused to do, insisting that since that regiment with others had been assigned to him in the regular course of business that they should be paid by him or else not at all. The case was finally sent to Washington, D. C., and placed before President McKinley, who decided that the regiment must be paid by Major Lynch or not at all. A few days later the payment was made by Major Lynch without the slightest friction or embarrassment.

Devotes Time to Literary Work.

Since his retirement Major Lynch has been devoting his time to literary work. He has alretady written a book which will soon be published, the title of which is "Facts About Reconstruction." Officially and politically Major Lynch is a product of reconstruction and is therefore entirely familiar with the history of that eventful period. In this work he has endeavored in a calm, judicious and truthful way to place the colored men who were connected with the work of reconstruction in a more favorable light before the public. It is a book which should no doubt find its way into the home of every colored man and his family in the country and the whites as well.

Another Book to Follow.

This book is to be followed by another, the title of which will be "Reminiscences of an Actaive Life," in which he will present the most interesting events in his remarkable career. This will be followed by another title of which will be "The Anti-bellum and Post-bellum South," in which the socalled race problems will be considered and discussed in all of its different phases. This will be followed by another, the title of which will be "Some of the Defects in our System of Government," in which the cause and cure of lynch law and other forms of lawlessness will be forcibly presented.

It is fortunate for us that a man of Major Lynch's ripe experience has both time and inclination to devote to literary work which is calculated to be of such immense value to his people. The Freeman correspondent takes pleasure in presenting facts about one of the noblest and grandest men of the race and more about his books will follow.

Fenton Johnson Day.

Tomorrow afternoon, the Literary of Olivet Baptist church will have what has been termed "Fenton Johnson Day." Mr. Johnson has recently published his book, entitled "Little Dreaming," and while there will be several prominent speakers on the program, Mr. Johnson will recite several of the favorite selections of the poet. Mr. Johnson states that his book is having a big sale and is very much pleased with the financial encouragement given him by people here and elsewhere. The speakers will be Hon. Geo. W. Ellis and Prof. R. T. Greener.

Dr. Reginold Smith Honored.

Dr. H. Reginold Smith, one of Chicago's most successful professional men was appointed by the Board at Provident hospital as eye, ear and throat physician on the staff and to have charge of that clinic. No better selection could have been made as Dr. Smith is fully capable and thoroughly prepared for this work. While Dr. Smith is honored the hospital is fortunate to have such a brilliant and able physician to hold the place. Dr. Smith is admired an dosught for his ability and his constant inclination to keep up with all the latest and most important books bearing cases in his profession. It has been reported in one of the local papers that he will go abroad next year to study, if so it will be a wonderful oportunity for him to further increase his knowledge in his chosen profession. To Dr. Smith and the rest of Chicago's progressive physicians we wish success.

Japanese Dancing Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Carter, 3256 Rhodes Ave., entertained on Monday evening of this week in honor of Miss Susie Brent, of Quincy, Ill., with a Japanese dancing party. One hundred and fifty of Chicago's leading society folk were present from 8:30 to 12:30 a. m. and enjoyed the evening dancing by the music of Prof. Garfield Wilson's orchestra. Lanterns were strung throughout the three beautiful parlors and the effect was charming. Home folks and distinguished visitors were handsomely gowned; the creations worn were the prettiest seen here this summer. It was the most charming and delightful social function ever given in this city. Miss Brent, the guest of honor wore a gorgeous pink rose charmeuse gown with imported lace overdress. Mrs. Joe Brent wore yellow charmeouse with Dutches lace, Mrs. R. A. J. Shaw a handsome charmeuse gown. Misses Essie Arnold, Elizabeth Clark, Geraldine Hodges, Vivian Harch, Maud Taylor, Lucile Woods, Blanche and Emma Shaw, Rena Brahanan and others were charmingly gowned in Paris creations. Among the gorgeously gowned out-of-town visitors were Misses Bertha Bauman, Boston; Grace Gordon, St. Louis, Mo.; Lillian McCoy, St. Paul, Minn.; Miss Edna Schwish, Columbia, Mo.; Lilly Orman, Dallas, Texas; Mesdames Lottie Meridith Cooper, New York; Hattie Curtis Hall, Boston; Mrs. Estelle Carrington, Ft. Worth, Tex.; Mrs. Calvin Briscoe, Columbia, Mo.; Misses Lizzie Jones, Topeka, Kan.; Josephine Brown, St. Louis, Mo.; and Shores, of Lexington, Ky. Mr. Joseph Brent was "Charge-re-Affairs" ably assisted by Mr. R. A. J. Shaw, one of our leading attorneys. As a fitting climax of the Terphicorean revelry, the flower hidden orchestra wafted the strains of a "Dream of Autumn" waltaz which was written especially for the guest of honor, Miss Susie Brent. A delicious menu was served and the guests wore away souvenirs of this memorable occasion, a dainty pink carnation. Chicago society need only to know that Mrs. S. J. Carter is sponser for a social function to be assured of its success.

A Lawn Fete.

Miss Elizabeth Smith, of Lexington, Ky., was given a lawn fete on Tuesday night of this week at the home of Mrs. Jenifer, 3430 Vernon Ave. The hostess were Mesdames John Jenifer, Leonard Lewis,, Gertrude Blackwell and William Thomas. A host of Chicago's most charming people were present and the evening was very pleasantly spent. The ladies were handsomely gowned.

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Mrs. Felix Weir, wife of the celebrated violinist was entertained on Monday evening by Mr. and Mrs. Durham, 3128 Vernon Ave. Among those present were Mrs. McSwine and Mrs. Walker, of the West and Madam Anitia Patti Brown.

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Mrs. Theodore Jones will receive on Sunday in honor of Miss Bertha Bauman, Boston; Miss Elizabeth Jones, Topeka and Mrs. John B. Hall, Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Jones live at 6607 Vincennes Ave., and the hours are from 7 to 9 p. m.

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Miss Bertha Bauman, of Boston, Mass., is in the city the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John White, 520 60th street, West. Miss Bauman is one of the most accomplished musicians and incidentally one of the most popular young ladies in the country. She is a graduate of the Boston Conservatory of Music and some one has said of her that her music can only be excelled in the realms above. Her visit to Chicago has been marked by a continuous round of social functions.

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Miss Lillian McCoy, of St. Paul, Minn., is in the city the guest of Miss Geraldine Hodges.

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Mrs. Beatrice Blackwell entertained with a whist party at the Appomatox Club on Tuesday afternoon in honor of Miss Susie Brent, of Quincy, Ill.

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Miss Lilly Orman and Mrs. Estella Carrington, of Ft. Worth, Tex., are in the city, stopping with Mrs. S. J. Carter, 3256 Rhodes Ave. They will be heer two weeks and will go East before returning home.

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Mrs. McDonald, of Ft. Worth, Tex., is expected in the city soon.

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A large number of Chicagoans went to Benton Harbor, Mich., on last Saturday. Those who went to Hotel Sawyer were Mrs. Leona Solomon, Detroit; Mrs. George H. Jackson and daughter Helen, Mrs. Julia Thompson and daughter Grace, Mrs. Tille Johnson, Detroit; and Mrs. Wm. Thompson. Among the sixty-five at Benton Harbor resort were Mrs. Martha B. Anderson, Mrs. Frank B. Waring, Mrs. Warren, Mrs. Lane, Mrs. Weisiker, Mrs. Edna Thompson Fry, Dr. Harry Garnes, Messrs. Joe Morris, W. G. Anderson, Vincent Sanders, Dr. A. C. Brown and others.

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Miss Aurelai Ward will accompany Miss Helen Jackson to Philadelphia and other Eastern cities for a three weeks' visit.

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Editor Emith of the Twin City Star passed through the city on Tuesday en route to the National Negro Business Men's League. He will return in a few weeks.

NORFOLK, VA.

Accused of Eloping with a Negro—A New Theater—The Y. W. C. A. Observe Anniversary with an Exposition.

(By Ernest L. Wiggins, 215 Cumberland St.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The colored people of Bruce and Douglass Parks are arranging to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their freedom, which will take place the second Monday in September with a local exposition, and which will continue for one week. Governor Mann has been invited to speak. Several of the best speakers of the colored race will be invited to make addresses during the week.

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On the night of August7th, Charlie Simmons, a colored chauffeur, living at 123 Alexander street, Norfolk, was arrested by motorcycle officer Tom Sanderlin, charged with non-support. The case was continued until Saturday morning, August 9, in order to arrest a white woman who is alleged to have been the woma nfor whom Simmons deserted his wife. The woman may be arrested. Mrs. Hattie Simmons, the wife, a very refined and pretty woman of good standing, appeared before Police Justice Barron on the morning of August 8th, and testified as to how her husband had left her and had gone to Philadelphia, Atlantic City and finally to Trenton, N. J., with the white woman. Both she and the officer testified that letters written to another woman, telling of the northern trip with the woman, were found in Simmons' suit case, together with a photograph of the white woman and a lock of hair, believed to be hers.

Atelegram received from the police of Trenton states that Simmons and the woman were arrested in that city, but that Simmons made his escape before being locked up, charged with non-support and with carrying a white woman into another state for immoral purposes. Charlie Simmons, colored, was arraigned in the Police Court on Saturday morning, August 9th, because the woman in the case has not yet been brought to Norfolk. The case was continued until Wednesday, August 13. Simmons was remanded to jail. The warrant upon which Simmons was arrested was sworn out by his wife, who alleges that her husband, who is a chauffeur, not only failed to provide for her but went to Atlantic City, N. J., with a white woman, whose name the police are in possession of. A picture of the woman and a lock of her hair, it is believed, were found in possession of Simmons, who was taken into custody by Officer Sanderlin at his home, 123 Alexander street. Simmons declared that he had not seen the woman referred to and that he had not been away with any woman. He said the picture of the white woman was sent to him by a colored girl in Richmond, Va.

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Mr. J. Van Buskirk, now managing the Globe theater, has closed a deal for a new theater on Upper Church street, above Queen street. This playhouse will cost $30,000, with a seating capacity of 1,200. The stage will be fully equipped to handle any road production. The work on this house will soon start and it is to be ready by the first of the year for business. It promises to be one of the best of the many theaters in the country. This theater will run the regular high-class vaudeville and moving pictures.

This week's bill at the Globe includes Henderson and Henderson, Stewart Brothers and Eddie Day.

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Mr. Sylvester Ewell was badly injured on Tuesday, August 5, while driving his can on Ocean View boulevard. The car capsized, dragging the passengers some distance. Mr. Ewell was driving, while Mr. Molton, a friend, occupied the seat with him. Mr. Molton was badly bruised about the face, while Mr. Ewell has a fractured collar bone and a broken jaw. Both men are in St. Vincent's hospital. Mr. Molton will be able to be out in a few days, while Mr. Ewell will be confined to his bed in the hospital for quite a long time yet.

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The Calvary Baptist church has purchased a lot on the corner of Henry and Wide streets, and will begin early in March to erect their new $60,000 church. The membership is four or five thousand, while the Sunday school is one of the largest in the city.

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This is the first and oldest Y. M. C. A. organized, owns a large three-story building, which is divided into concert hall, reading room, reception room, parlor, gymnasium, hall, bath room, hot and cold and shower baths. All men are welcome. The subject discussed at the Young Men's Christian Association, Sunday, August 3, was the Boy Problem; Sunday, August 10, the subject was the Young Man and the Home. This subject went into the hearts of every man present.

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Miss Zenolia Smith and Mrs. C. E. Smith, of Lowernburh, Conn., stopped at the Y. W. C. A. Monday, August 5, on their way to the Presbyterian convention in Hampton, Va.

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The district nurses held their regular business meeting Wednesday evening at the Young Women's Christian Association.

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During the month of July forty-three persons visited the Y. W. C. A. I want to urge the young women to attend the meeting of the Y. W. C. A. more regularly. Owing to the extreme hot weather the attendance has been rather small. The regular meetings will open early in September.

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Miss Fanny Perkins, of 913 Charlotte street, is visiting friends in Richmond, Va.

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Mrs. Hattie Perry and children, of 10 Eden street, accompanied by Mrs. Shelton, spent an enjoyable day at Little Bay Beach, Tuesday, August 5.

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Mr. Walter Jordan, of New York City, is visiting his uncle, Mr. George Walker, of 96 Washington avenue.

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Mr. Roy Gordner is in the city spending the remaining part of the summer with his uncle, Dr. Byrd, of 517 Cumberland street.

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Mrs. Margaret Smith and daughter returned Saturday, after spending two delightful weeks visiting relatives and friends in Richmond, Va.

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Miss Emma Perkins and Mr. Benjamin Scears were happily married on Monday evening, August 4, by Rev. Dr. Wallace, pastor of Calvary Baptist church. The reception was held at home Sunday, August 10, from 5 to 8 o'clock, when the three hours were greatly enjoyed. We wish them much happiness and joy. They are living at 10 Eden street.

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Mr. E. L. Wiggins is leaving the city Monday to visit many cities in Virginia, to look after the interests of The Freeman. Mr. Wiggins wishes to thank the many new Freeman readers in Norfolk for their support in keeping up the circulation. The performers can always get The Freeman at the Globe theater soda fountain twice a week.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Crosby, of 1130 church street, entertained many of their friends from Charlotte, N. C., Thursday, August 7. The floral designs were elaborate and the menu was of the most palatable delicacy, while an enjoyable evening was spent in games, music and dancing. Among the guests were Mrs. Daisy Johnson, of Portsmouth, Va.; Miss Della Seldon, of this city; Mrs. J. T. Bailey, Messrs. Chas. Carpenter, Henry Johnson, Gad Henderson and E. W. Moss, of Charlotte, N. C.

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Miss Berta Melton, of Newport News, Va., spent the day of August 8 with her sister, Mrs. R .H. Bowling, of 520 Cumberland street. Miss Dixie Melton is staying with Mrs. Bowling since the death of her husband, the late Rev. R. H. Bowling. Miss Marie Bowling is spending a few days with her grandmother and other relatives of Hampton, Va. Mrs. R. H. Bowling wishes to thank the many friends for their kind hospitality during the illness of her husband, also for the many beautiful floral designs from the different churches and friends.

EDITOR LEE L. BROWN.

Lee L. Brown, editor of the Louisville News, who, in the recent primary election, August 2, won out against a white candidate for the nomination of representative to the Kentucky state legislature from the Tenth ward.

Brown's announcement through the Louisville News a few months ago was not taken with much seriousness, while friends admired his nerve and ambition, yet they had no hope of him ever winning out in the primary election. Nearly all of the colored papers opposed him, because they thought the he was too young, that he didn't have any chance and that his running would do the race more harm than good.

Brown thought that he could win and pushed on regardless of opinions and the opposition. The results were that he won out in the election by a narrow margin of thirty-one votes. The day following the election Brown's name was left out of the list of successfu lcandidates. Many thought that he would be counted out. He went into the room where the official counting was being conducted under the direction of the election commissioners, and remained there until every vote was counted, and he found out that he was successful in winning out. The next day every paper gave the true results.

Fro mthe very beginning the Louisville News has fought his battles. Another member of the staff was responsible for the editorials. Brown, who is known in many parts of the country as the son of Brown Dick, the famous race horse trainer, is a young mamn, ambitious and has a host of friends and should win out in the November election. The Tenth ward is almost three-fourths colored and has always sent a Republican representative to the legislature.

NEWS OF EVANSVILLE, IND.

(By B. L. Morrow.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Albert White and Mr. Walter Mundy have returned home from a few days' stay in Indianapolis....Miss Marie Stubbins left Saturday night to visit her uncle in New Albany..Little Miss Ethel Triggs is visiting her relatives in Kentucky....Miss Thelma Mems has gone to Kentucky on a visit with Mrs. Lucy Underwood....Miss Silvia Daniels, one of the young ladies formerly of this city, but now of Indianapolis, is here on a visit..Mr. Robert Lindsay, of Chicago, who was visiting his sister, Mrs. J. R. Porter, in this city, returned to his home last Thursday....Miss Lillian Lewis spent last week in Henderson, Ky..Mrs. Fannie Moss, of St. Louis, is here on a visit....Rev. J. D. Rouse was very much indisposed last week....Mrs. Anna Standard, the president of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, of Bland avenue, died last week....Miss Laura Sypert has gone to St. Louis on a visit....Mrs. Ella Hayes has gone to Earlington on a trip to see her sister, who has been ill....Messrs. Lafe Montgomery and Robert Fendrick have gone to Indianapolis. Mrs. Fendrick is going to see her mother of that city....Mr. and Mrs. George Ross left Monday to spend the week in Indianapolis....Mrs. Mary McKee would like to say that on stopping in Princeton, Ind., you want to stop at Mrs. Mrs. George Scott's, 721 East State street, if you want to be treated with courtesy. Three delegates and Mrs. McKee stopped there the week of the session of the Odd Fellows and Household of Ruth, and were treated very royally indeed. Her daughter, Miss Georgia Scott, was very nice indeed....Mis Irene Hopkins is ver yill at her home on Cherry street....Miss Theresa Brooks, of Henderson, is the guest of Miss Lillian Lewis....Mr. William Lewis met with a serious accident last week when a large timber fell upon his arm....Miss Ollie Chinn is able to be up again....Quite a large crowd went to Louisville last Saturday on the excursion....A gymnastic exhibition was held last Friday night at the Y. M. C. A. by the athletic boys....The Jones family band made quite a hit in this city, playing two weeks, at the Orpheum....Miss Cecil Ligon left the city last Sunday for Clarksville, Tenn.

DAYTON, O., GOSSIP.

The colored Steele high school team will meet at the manager's on August 23, for the election of officers....Mrs. Bessie Williams and Mr. Williams were in Tennessee on a visit..Mrs. Herman Cale was a visitor at the Woman's Home Missionary convention in Columbus, O..Mr. Mathew G. W. Thompson is visiting up in the lake region, and his wife is expecting to visit Indianapolis in September, while his son will return to school....Read the next issue of The Freeman, which will relate Dayton's athletic report. If The Freeman fails to reach you, go to the office, 32 Paisley street.

THE NATION'S CAPITAL

DR. GEO. C. HALL'S ADDRESS ON "SUCCESSFUL LIFE."

ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING AT Y. M. C. A.

Dr. and Mrs. Washington "Week-End" with the Napiers—Big Delegation Going to Philadelphia—As the Negro Inventors—News of the Capital.

(By R. W. Thompson.)

Dr. George Cleveland Hall, the widely-known physician and surgeon, of Chicago, addressed an overflowing audience of men last Sunday afternoon at the Twelfth Street branch of the Y. M. C. A., and delivered an address that will stand out as one of the very best to which the Association has listened since its organization. Dr. Hall's theme was "Successful Life," and for more than an hour he developed the thought that the life that counted for most in the world was a career built upon the foundation of Christian principles, backed by the spirit of helpfulness to humanity and a desire to translate into practical service the gifts of mind, muscle and heart conferred by the Master. He emphasized the value of the Y. M. C. A.'s of the country in pushing forward this work, and commended in the highest terms the results that the men of Washington had wrought in placing within the reach of the young people of the capital the finely appointed $100,000 building, seen by him for the first time. The unselfish labors of Secretary Lewis E. Johnson were especially praised, as competent leadership means so much, even when followers are earnest and energetic. Dr. Hall told of the $200,000 structure the Chicagoans had reared up and dedicated to the uplift of the colored men of that community. Dr. Hall was able to speak of this splendid work, as he is the chairman of the governing board of the Chicago Y. M. C. A. and was foremost in securing from Mr. Rosenwald and others the nucleus of funds that made the erection of the mammoth building possible. The speaker is also surgeon-in-chief of the famous Provident hospital in Chicago, one of the best equipped institutions of its kind in the country, and his many successful operations in major surgery have earned for him an international reputation. eH has been called to all parts of the country to perform operations of the most difficult character, cooperating with the best white surgeons of the land, and in all cases he has met with phenomenal success. His expert clinics have been notable features of the annual meetings of the National Medical Association.

At the Y. M. C. A. Sunday Dr. Hall was introduced in happy fashion by Dr. John R. Hawkins, financial secretary of the A. M. E. church. Mr. Lewis E. Johnson presided. Others who lauded the cause represented by the speaker of the day and added to the enthusiasm of the occasion were Dr. A. M. Curtis, Judge Robert H. Terrell, Dr. C. W. Childs, Dr. G. W. Cabaniss, Hon. J. C. Napier, Mr. James A. Cobb and Hon. Henry Lincoln Johnson.

Dr. Hall is the guest of Dr. A. M. Curtis and is spending the week with the latter and his family at their summer camp at Arundel-on-the-Bay. The eloquent Chicagoan will take in the Philadelphia meeting of the National Negro Business League and its affiliated bodies and will then go on to Nashville to attend the sessions of the National Medical Association.

Register Napier Still at His Desk.

Hon. J. C. Napier is still discharging thedutie sof registrar of the treasury, although his resignation is in the hands of the President, subject to the qualification of his successor. The nomination of Attorney A. E. Patterson, of Oklahoma, was withdrawn, at the request of Mr. Patterson, and now the name of Mr. Gabe E. Parker, of the same state, has gone to the Senate for confirmation as registrar. Mr. Parker is said to be a full-blooded Indian, of the Choctaw tribe. Like Mr. Patterson, he was sponsored by Senator Gore, of Oklahoma.

Wanted—Information Concerning Colored Inventors.

Mr. Henry E. Baker, an expert examiner in the office of the United States Patent Office, has been detailed by the government to obtain information concerning patents to colored inventors, in compliance with a request from the Emancipation Proclamation Commission of the state of Pennsylvania, authorized by the Legislature of that state to prepare an exhibit showing the progress of the colored people of the United States during the fifty years following the emancipation proclamation in 1863. The exhibit is to be held in Philadelphia, Pa., in September of this year.

A general letter has been sent out, signed by E. B. Moore, commissioner of patents, asking the aid of the citizens, newspapers and evedybody in possession of the facts, to send to the Patent Office, in a franked envelope, the names of any colored inventors they may know, together with the date of the grant, title of invention and patent number, so that a list absolutely correct can be prepared for the Philadelphia exhibit. The filled out blanks will be turned over to Mr. Baker for tabulation as rapidly as they come into the Patent Office. Mr. Baker is in receipt of a large number already, but it is his belief that many more patents have been issued to colored inventors than appear in the records he has thus far obtained, and it is his desire that any persons who know of other grants shall feel free to write him at once, giving him the data required.

As a refutation of those who have contended that "the Negro has never invented anything except lies," it is important that a full and complete exhibit of the Negro's practical inventive genius be made at the Philadelphia Semi-Centennial Emancipation Exposition in September. Patent attorneys can be especially helpful in this work.

Secretary Johnson's Activities.

Mr. Lewis E. Johnson, secretary of the Twelfth Street branch of the Y. M. C. A., has been a busy man during the past few weeks. After celebrating the first anniversary o fthe dedication of the home association's new building, he attended a state Y. M. C. A. convention at Durham, N. C., then went to Chicago to witness the dedicatory ceremonies of the new Y. M. C. A. building there, followed by a visit to Indianapolis, Ind., for a like purpose. On both occasions Dr. Booker T. Washington was the orator of the day. He put in a week at Arundel-on-the-Bay with a school for the instruction of Y. M. C. A. secretaries, delivering a special address on the value of practical training for spiritual work. The Y. M. C. A. here is prospering beyond the expectation of its most optimistic friends and is the social and intellectual center of this community.

Dr. G. W. Cabaniss, one of the District's wheelhorses for uplifting labors, has been elected chairman of the governing board of the Y. M. C. A. The association is fortunate in being able to secure so capable a man for this responsible post.

Mr. Trigg "Not the Mah."

Mr. Joseph M. Trigg, a writer of national note ,desires it to be understood that he is not the Washington correspondent of the East Tennessee News, published at Knoxville, Tenn. The Tennessee paper's alleged correspondent at the capital has been saying some pretty "raw" things about prominent people of this city and has gotten himself "in bad" all around. Mr. Trigg, who formerly contributed news matter to the Knoxville sheet, severed his connection long ago, and now absolves himself from all responsibility for anything appearing therein. Mr. Trigg has never been guilty of writing "rot," nor of maliciously misrepresenting individuals under the guise of furnishing "news."

The Washingtons "Week End" in Washington.

Dr. Booker T. Washington, accompanied by Mrs. Washington and their son, Dr. Ernest Davidson Washington, spent the "week-end" very pleasantly here as the guests of Registrar of the Treasury and Mrs. J. C. Napier at picturesque Hillside Cottage, 2225 Fourth street, N. W. The historic home of the Langstons, in the intellectual atmosphere of Howard University and amid a rare environment of culture and helpful activity, was a center of attraction during the stay of the distinguished visitors. Hundreds of callers paid their respects and Dr. Washington held a number of conferences with well-known men on matters of national interest. Dr. Washington is deeply concerned with all of the problems that affect the District of Columbia, because of the immense colored population, whose welfare is to be considered, and the influence exerted upon the country at large by the conditions that obtain here. The Tuskegee educator listened attentively to all that was told him by those in touch with the situation.

On Sunday afternoon Dr. Washington and Mr. Napier addressedthe congregation of the Mt. Gilead Baptist church and received an ovation at the hands of the people, into whose midst they came unannounced and unexpected.

Monday night Dr. Washington left for Buffalo, N. Y., to fill a speaking engagement, Mrs. Washington remaining in the vicinity for a few days. Dr. Washington is immensely pleased with the outlook for the Philadelphia meetingof the National Negro Business League, August 20 to 23, and expects a record-breaking attendance.

Lawyer Nutter for Grand Exalted Ruler of Elks.

Mr. T. Gillis Nutter, of West Virginia, the brilliant young barrister who so gallantly saved the life of a colored man at Charleston last week in a celebrated legal battle, is growing in strength as a candidate for Grand Exalted Ruler of the Elks. He will go into the convention at Atlantic City on the 26th of August with several powerful delegations solid for him and with many votes in all of the states that make the Elks an order worth while. He is now Grand Esteemed Leading Knight, and as such has made a fine record during the period of his incumbancy. His friends feel that he is richly entitled to promotion and intend to fight for him "teeth and toenail" at Atlantic City. A skilled lawyer by profession, a graduate of Howard University, and a member of the congressiona lcommittee of West Virginia's third district, frequently consulted by the Governor and party leaders, Mr. Nutter brings a mental equipment excelled by none, and his election would be a triumph of brains and of unspeakable advantage of the Order of Elks.

News in a Nutshell.

Attorney Thomas L. Jones is in Hot Springs, Va., the guest of Mr. Robert G. Smith, a leading citizen of that place. Mr. Jones has long been a sufferer from rheumatism and will take the baths and general treatment offered at the springs. While in that section Mr. Jones will deliver a series of lectures on topics of racial and legal interest.

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Miss Clarice Jones is in St. Louis, Mo., following a visit to the commencement of Cornell University at Ithica, N. Y., and a trip to Detroit, Mich., to visit her sister, Mrs. Georgia Jones Tucker.

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Miss Vivian Lucile Thompson and Miss Mary Ola Chancey have returned from a month's stay at the Summer School for Teachers at the Institute for Colored Youth at Cheyney, Pa. They stopped over with friends at Philadelphia and Delaware City en route.

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Miss Estelle Kennedy is to teach in Atlantic City next term.

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Editors H. E. Macbeth and J. Finley Wilson, of the Baltimore Times, circulated among Washington friends Monday. They are newspaper men from their hearts and will give the people of this city a paper that will tickle them, if they can be assured of the support they ought to have.

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Big delegations from Washington and all parts of the country will attend the fourteenth annual session of the National Negro Business League at Philadelphia, August 20-22.

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Dr. and Mrs. Booker T. Washington "week-ended" with Registrar and Mrs. J. C. Napier at the historic Hillside Cottage.

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Prof. Kelly Miller, of Howard University, has returned from a "swing around the circle" of the South and West, speaking to commencements, Y. M. C. A.'s, church conferences and educational conventions.

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Monday evening the local Business League held its final meeting prior to the Philadelphia convention of the National Business League. Washington speakers on the program at Philadelphia will be Prof. Kelly Miller, Henry Lasister, Henry E. Baker and R. W. Thompson.

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Secretary Emmet J. Scott will be in the city the last of the week en route to Philadelphia, to assume charge of important work in connection with the meeting of the National Negro Business League.

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The local business league held an important meeting Wednesday evening at the Y. M. C. A., completing arrangements for carrying a carload of Washingtonians to the Philadelphia convention of the National League, week of August 18. The badges, which are of a handsome design, were distributed. President Daniel Freeman is elated over the remarkable growth o fthe local league. Colored business men from all sections of the District are on the rolls and additions are being made each week.

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Fourteenth Annual Session at Philadelphia, August 20-22—In Musical Fund Hall.

The following is the program and data of the National Negro Business League sessions to be held at Philadelphia, Pa., August 20-22:

Officers 1912-1913.

Booker T. Washington, president, Tuskegee Institute, Ala.; Charles Banks, first vice-president, Mound Bayou, Miss.; J. E. Bush, second vice-president, Little Rock, Ark.; S. G. Gilbert, M. D., third vice-president, Wilmington, Del.; Harry T. Pratt, fourth vice-president, Baltimore, Md.; John M. Wright, fifth vice-president, Topeka, Kans.; Emmet J. Scott, secretary, Tuskegee Institute, Ala.; Charles H. Anderson, treasurer, Jacksonville, Fla.; F. H. Gilbert, registrar, Brooklyn, N. Y.; R. C. Houston, assistant registrar, Fort Worth, Texas; A. B. Jackson, M. D., transportation agent, Philadelphia, Pa.; William H. Davis, official stenographer, Washington, D. C.; S. Laing Williams, compiler, Chicago, Ill.

Executive Committee.

J. C. Napier, chairman, Washington, D. C.; S. E. Courtney, M. D., Boston, Mass.; W. T. Andrews, Sumter, S. C.; S. A. Furniss, M. D., Indianapolis, Ind.; J. B. Bell, Houston, Texas; J. C. Jackson, Lexington, Ky.; M. M. Lewey, Pensacola, Fla.; R. E. Jones, New Orleans, La.; Scipio A. Jones, Little Rock, Ark.; T. H. Hayes, Memphis, Tenn.; George C. Hall, M. D., Chicago, Ill.; T. J. Elliott, Muskogee, Okla.; W. C. Gordon, St. Louis, Mo.; Walter P. Hall, Philadelphia, Pa.

Chairmen: Entertainment Committees, Philadelphia Local League.

President Philadelphia League, A. B. Jackson, M. D.; secretary Philadelphia League, Charles R. Taylor; on arrangements, Charles H. Brooks; on outing, H. M. Minton, M. D.; on invitation, Richard A. Cooper; on halls, Alexander McKenzie; on publicity, Charles R. Taylor; on homes, John W. Harris; on reception, G. Edward Dickerson, Esq.; On sovuenirs, J. W. Oscar Garrett, Esq.; on badges, Alexander E. Makel; on demonstration, Chas. K. Brown; on banquet, Charles Douglass; on concessions, Beresford Gale; on music, James H. Williams.

Delegates intending to be present are urged to send notice of such intention at once to the chairman of the committee on homes, Mr. John W. Harris, League Headquarters, 1438-40 Lombard street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The committee on arrangements has secured rooms in the Baltimore House, 1438-40 Lombard street, for convention headquarters, and mail intended for delegates may be sent to this address.

Official Invitations, Philadelphia Negro Business League.

Philadelphia, Pa., Aug. 17, 1912.

To the Executive Committee of the National Negro Business League:

Gentlemen—At the regular July meeting of the Negro Business League of Philadelphia, by unanimous vote it was decided to invite the National Negro Business League to hold its next session, during the month of August, 1913, in the city of Philadelphia. In this invitation the Emancipation Proclamation Commission of the state of Pennsylvania, Mayor Blankenburg and a long list of business men and women join us.

The hospitality of Philadelphia, the city of "Brotherly Love," is world-famed. We can assure a most pleasant meeting, a profitable session and a nabsolute lack of regret for having chosen our city for the 1913 assembly of the National Negro Business League.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)
ALGERNON B. JACKSON, M. D., President.
JOHN W. HARRIS, Secretary.

Accompanying this invitation was a petition signed by 184 Negro business and professional men of the city of Philadelphia.

Telegram.

Pocono Pines Inn, Pa., Aug. 17, 1912.

Algernon B. Jackson, M. D., President of Philadelphia Branch National Negro Business League:

Please extend in my name a cordial invitation to your National Negro Business League to hold its next national convention in the city of "Brotherly Love." Our citizens will give your league, which stands for so much, a hearty welcome. I gladly join with your local branch in this invitation.

(Signed)
RUDOLPH BLANKERBURG, Mayor.

Official Announcement of Entertainments.

Thursday afternoon, August 21, an industrial street parade, exhibiting progress among Philadelphia Negroes, will be held from 3 to 5 o'clock.

On Thursday afternoon, after the industrial parade, an automobile sight-seeing tour, in honor of the delegates, has been arranged to include a visit to historical points of interest, through the parks of the city, and to a number of the largest business houses of Philadelphia.

At 5 o'clock, Thursday afternoon, August 21, Hon. John Wannamaker will entertain all of the delegates in attendance at the meeting of the league in the Egyptian Hall of the great Wanamaker store. Mr. Wanamaker will personally welcome the delegates and will address them.

Friday evening, the Philadelphia Local Negro Business League and citizens of Philadelphia will tender a banquet and reception in honor of the delegates at Horticultural Hall. The reception will begin at 9 o'clock.

Saturday afternoon, August 23, 1 to 7 o'clock, a steamboat excursion down, then up, the Delaware river to Burlington Island park, will be given in honor of the delegates. Every detail requisite to make this an unexcelled event has been arranged by the committee in charge. The steamer will accommodate 2,600 persons.

Program.

Wednesday, August 20, 10:30 a. m., at Musical Fund Hall, 808 Locust street: The league called to order, Dr. A. B. Jackson, president Philadelphia Negro Business League and officer of the national organization.

Prayer.

Words of Welcome, Dr. Jackson.

Response.

Appointment of committees—(a) credentials, (b resolutions, (c) auditing.

"Potato Growing and General Merchandising," J. G. Groves, Edwardsville, Kan.

"Making Farming Pay," Paul Ives, Gahagan, La.; Pleas McCadney, Utica, Miss.; Henry Kelley, Belen, Miss.; Sam Powell, Paw Creek, N. C.

"Farming and General Merchandising," Matthew Jones, Cypress, La.; Jonas W. Thomas, Bennettsville, S. C.

"Growing and Marketing Watermelons and Cantaloupes," P. D. Blackwell, Allendale, S. C.

"Poultry Raising—Making It Pay," Henry Lassiter, Washington, D. C.; J. P. Crawford, Nashville, Tenn.

"My Pecan Grove Dairy Farm," Oscar Dupre, New Orleans, La.

"Building Contracting," B. L. Windham, Windham Bros., Birmingham, Ala.; Alfred J. White, Kalamazoo, Mich.; W. T. Gaines, Chicago, Ill.; John Martin, Mound City, Ill.

Wednesday evening session, 8 o'clock, at at Academy of Music, Broad and Locust streets.

The league called to order.

Prayer.

Address of Welcome, His Honor, Mayor Rudolph Blankenburg.

President's Annual Address.

"Managing a Line of Drug Stores," Arthur W. Smith, Jacksonville, Fla.

"The Retail Drug Business," John O. Hopkins, Wilmington, Del.

"Real Estate and Building Contracting," J. H. Blodgett, Jacksonville, Fla.

"Combining the Real Estate Business with Undertaking," J. S. Williams, Shreveport, La.

"Making Boot-Blacking Pay," Riley Clark, Fort Worth, Texas.

"Shoe Polish Manufacturing," C. H. Green, Chicago, Ill.

"My White Front Department Store," W. P. Evans, Laurinburg, N. C.

"The Work of the Virginia Organization Society," Major R. R. Moton, Hampton Institute, Va.

Thursday morning session, August 21, 10 o'clock, at Musical Fund Hall, Locust street, above Eighth.

League called to order.

Prayer.

Music.

"My Experience in Texas as an Architect and Builder," W. Sidney Pittman, Dallas, Texas.

"Tailoring," Frank G. Hill, of Boston, Mass.; J. A. Colyer, of Orlando, Fla.

"The Colored Cleaners and Dyers' Association of Indianapolis," Claude K. Brown, president, Indianapolis, Ind.

"General Merchandising," Frank Mallory, of Mallory Bros., Jacksonville, Ill.

"Back to the Country"—A symposium discussion. Crowded into ten cities of the United States are, according to the last federal census, 692,109 Negroes, distributed as follows: Washington, D. C., 94,446; New York, 91,709; New Orleans, 89,262; Baltimore, 84,749; Philadelphia, 84,459; Memphis, 52,441; Birmingham, 53,305; Atlanta, 51,902; Richmond, 46,733; Chicago, 44,103. There is a widespread feeling that morally, materially and in health directions the greater number of these people would more satisfactorily prosper "back on the land" than in the crowded cities with their complex life. The discussion will be led by delegates from the cities named.

"The $100,000 Cotton Seed Oil Mill at Mound Bayou," A. A. Cosey, Mound Bayou, Miss.

"Organizing the First Old Line Legal Reserve Insurance Company Among Negroes," H. H. Pace, Atlanta, Ga.

"Development of Industrial Insurance," W. H. Harvey, Fort Worth, Texas; J. H. Riddle, Denison, Texas; W. S. Sumter, Jacksonville, Fla.

"The Negro Inventor—A Record of Fifty Years," H. E. Baker, U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C.

"The Hauling and Express Business," Charles Colborn, Wilmington, Del.

"The Piano Business," Frank L. Gale, Chicago, Ill.

Thursday evening session, 8 o'clock, at Musical Fund Hall, 808 Locust street.

"The Negro Town"—The opportunity it offers for learning the fundamental duties and responsibilities of social and civic life. By representatives of Mound Bayou, Miss., and Boley, Okla.

(There are a considerable number of towns and settlements populated and governed entirely or almost entirely by Negroes. There is a dependable record of twenty-nine of these towns and sixteen of such settlements.)

"Negro Occupations in Philadelphia—Past and Present." By representatives of the Philadelphia Negro Business League.

"Electrical Engineering—The Opportunities Offered, Based Upon My Experience," Preston C. Slowe, Philadelphia, Pa.

"Catering," Andrew J. Guy, Steubenville, Ohio.

"A Kitchen and Supply Company," W. G. Payne, Lancaster, Pa.

"Our Experience and Success in the Grocery Business," James S. Hardick, of Springfield, Mo.; A. C. Vital, of New Iberia, La.

"Dressmaking as a Profession," Mrs. W. A. Jackson, New Orleans, La.

"Manufacturing Hair Preparations," by Madam C. J. Walker, Indianapolis, Ind.

"Negro Business Development in Kansas," H. T. Kealing, Kansas City, Kan.

"My Steam Bakery," W. Howlett Jones, Danville, Va.

"The Place of Education in Business," Kelly Miller, Washington, D. C.

Friday morning session, August 22, 10 o'clock, at Musical Fund Hall, 808 Locust street.

The League called to order.

Prayer.

Music.

Reports from affiliated organizations.

"The Negro Banker—His Opportunity." Symposium discussion to be conducted under the genera ldirection of the National Negro Bankers' Association, Dr. W. R. Pettiford, president.

"The Negro Undertaker." Symposium discussion to be conducted under the general direction of the National Negro Funeral Directors' Association, G. W. Franklin, president.

"The National Negro Press Association," R. W. Thompson, president.

"The National Negro Bar Association," Josiah T. Settle, president.

Reports from the state Negro Business Leagues—Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi, Indiana, Florida, Texas, Colorado, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Louisiana, Kansas and Illinois.

"Packing and Shipping Furniture," by Francis Turner, New York City.

"Whilesale Commission Produce," C. H. James, Charleston, W. Va.

"Ice Cream Manufacturing," J. H. Madison, Boston, Mass.

"The Petroleum and Natural Gas Industry," Spencer Adams, of Washington, D. C.

Reports of committees—Auditing, resolutions and nominations.

"God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again."

Benediction.

AUGUSTA, GA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

On Friday, August 1, Mr. Benjamin Roberts, known to all as "Uncle Ben," died in this city. His health had been failing rapidly. But in spite o fthis fact, he insisted on working at his profession as a tonsorial artist until he was forced to take to his bed. Mr. Roberts death is felt very keenly by his fellow workmen, as he was a boy of the old school, one of Augusta's first colored barbers. Mr. Roberts leaves a wife, a woman of admirable character, to mourn his death. Human sympathy fails to give comfort in such a bereavement; but we have the assurance from above that his spirit now rests in heaven, free from pain and the sorrows of this old world....The Y. M. C. A. welcomes all young men to its meetings, held every Sunday evening at 5 o'clock. There is always something to be learned by attending these meetings. Nearly every Sunday there is someone to address us on a subject that pertains to the moral and social development of men....The Second Regiment band, under the able direction of Bandmaster Daniel Johnson, rendered a few selections from noted composers Sunday evening at 6:30 at the Progressive theater. The concert occurs every Sunday at the time stated above, and the public is cordially invited to attend. Admission is free.....The Union Social Club, located at 1212 Ninth street, is the only club of its kind in the city that exclusively caters to colored patronage. Visitors are extended a cordial welcome on the part of both the management and members, and al lorders are given careful attention by our popular mixologists, Jim Carter and Bob Davis... When in the city consider your visit incomplete until you have visited the Union Social Club....At the Progressive theater the Jennings Stock Company, composed of Puggsley and Cohen, F. H. Dukes, Houze and Houze, Kite Fisher and Jennings and Jennings, continues to place before the public the best musical comedies and dramatic productions that can be presented. On Monday night the company was seen in a musical comedy, "The Ragtime Soldier Man." The play met very much, indeed, the approval of the audience, as every phase of it was received with intense laughter on the part of the house...Houze and House opened here Monday night and the act was a big hit. They always bring something new, and the acts they present are invariably a riot of fun from start to finish....Kite Fisher made her appearance on the bill at the Progressive theater Monday night. She was seen in a wench impersonation act which was a scream. The entertaining and classy monologue she rendered was well received.

NEWS OF COLUMBUS, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Walker, of Chicago, are visiting friends and relatives in this place....Mrs. Oscar Starks is on the sick list....Mr. Alfred Montgomery, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Montgomery, departed this life last Sunday morning.... Mr. C. T. Montgomery has opened a swell cafe on Roan street, and is making good. ....Miss Ella Deboe has resigned her position as president of the A. C. E. League and is succeeded by Mr. Willie Vaughn... Mr. S. E. Forrest is visiting friends in Fulton this week....Miss Emma Ransom, of St. Louis, Mo., is here visiting with her mother, Mrs. Alice Brigley, and other relatives....Mrs. F. H. Smith and her little daughter Celeste have just returned home from a five weeks' visit in St. Louis with Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. S. L. Montgomery....Are are glad to hear of Mr. Richard Novell's speedy recovery after receiving a broken jawbone....Mr. Samuel Morton is on the sick list....Mrs. J. W. Good left this week to attend the teachers' meeting in Wickliffe....Mrs. Fannie Quigley left Sunday for Winchester, Ky., as a delegate to the Eastern Star sessions. ....Mrs. T. W. Starks and little son Paul are visiting in Union City....Mr. John Warner and Jessiee Wiley were married last Tuesday......The colored people are preparing for a grand celebration on August 15. Everybody invited.

BROWNSVILLE, TENN.

Will Ross died Sunday morning at 7:00 o'clock from a shot received from Ona Hayley at the picnic Friday night. Haley received a knife wound from Ross before he shot him and is getting along very well. Ross was buried Monday......Haywood County Fair Association held its annual meeting Friday and Saturday. The races had just started Friday when a storm came up and postponed the race. On Saturday the race was between Dixie Boy and Reroy Junior, the former being the winner....The Migatory Club was entertained Sunday by Mrs. James Crosby at her residence....The Reading Circle gave an entertainment Friday evening at the residence of Mrs. Manney in honor of Mrs. Albert Telifair, of St. Louis, Mo.

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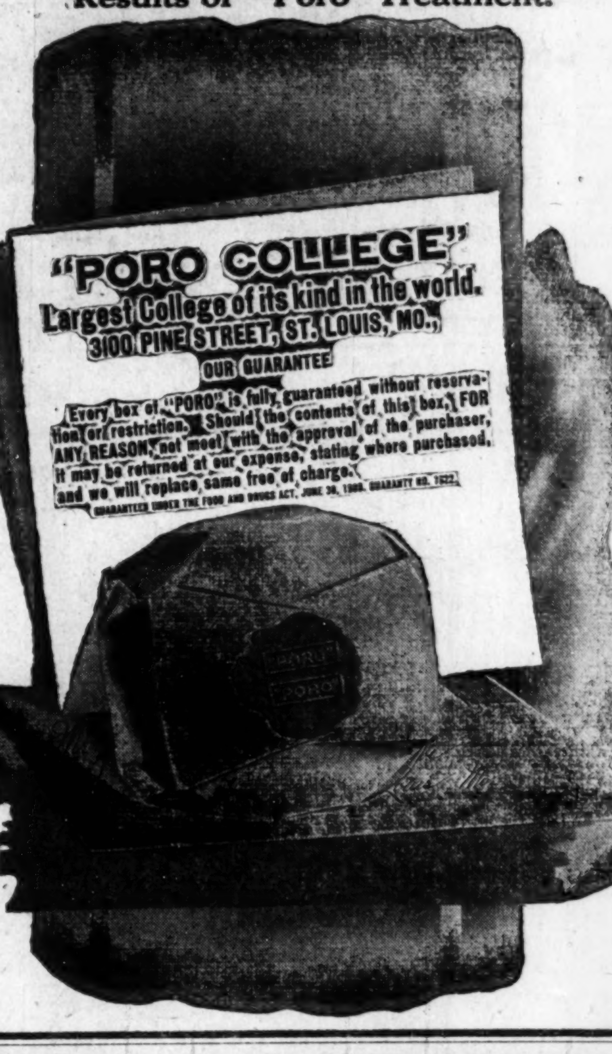

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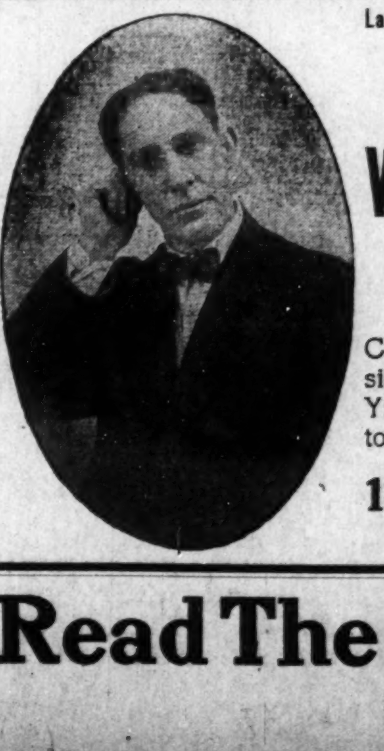

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(By J. G. Robinson, D. D.

Newport, Ark.

Whenever we see the words "Echoes from my den," instantly we think of a little, tall, raw, bony man way over yonder in Tennessee, and before we finish reading one echo we begin to take a kind of fluttering at the heart, or a sort of uneasiness comes over us, fearing that he is going to tear down some proposition we have advanced. An dthose of us who are writers are not satisfied until we have read the last line. Brother J. A. Jones is that "Den Man," and I guess the hand of destiny must be hovering over him and bouys him up to write those echoes. Mr. Jones is a mighty tacklesome man, but somehow he leaves all parties guessing when he is through. Read his "Echo" on Robinson vs. Bishop Smith, and if you can guess whom he sided with—well, you can beat me.

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In the issue of The Southern Christian Recorder of July 31 I saw "Western Inklings." I did not see any quotation marks, so I said, "Well, I will read the last article sent in by Dr. H. S. Graves." But I saw it was from a brother out in Kansis. I guess he forgot to put the quotations. Bishop Grant wrote under the caption, "Notes by the Way," but he always put quotation marks, because it was the headlines used by Bishop T. M. D. Ward.

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Dr. John M. Henderson's "Midnight Musings" have stirred the connection in bygone days, as have none of the other writers of the church. We have seen him drive his lancet up to the hilt in some of the biggest men of the church. As he nears the verge of the waters, constituting the great divide, he is more mellow and sweet. Anyhow, the history of the A. M. E. church can no more be truthfully written without the name of John M. Henderson han could the history of ancient Rome be written without the name of Caesar, or that of the United States without that of the restless, undominable T. R. Roosevelt. When the curtains ring down on Dr. John M. Henderson a stalwart will have left us.

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Speaking of the future ministry of the church, I see Dr. Allen has given to the church some food for thought. I do not wish to say a word against the seminary man, but there is something wrong somewhere. I venture the assertion that I have taken into the church more members since the last annual conference than all of the Wilferforce and Shorter men in Arkansas put together. Let the church have contradictions if you can. I'll make a further venture: I have added to the church in evangelistic meetings more members than any other one man in the connection. Come out with your dates, places and number of accessions. If the church must live and hold her own as a denomination, the future ministry must be converted, live clean and honest lives and cease this everlasting howl for place and "do the work of an evangelist."

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Dr. J. A. Jones, the "Den Man," attempted to rip me up the back about the manner in which I prophesied the election of future bishops. I named twenty-five men, and said the next class will come from among this number. He said it reminded him of a man describing the north star by pointing up into the heavens and saying, "It is one of those stars up yonder." But the brother was not half so definite as was the "Dot Man." He surveyed the church, laid off three great sections and said, "Our next bishops will come from among the men in these sections." Queer way, Brother Jones, to help your men. Why not in some manner give us a hint. Or you forgot. Yes, getting ready yourself to become a bishop. One of the characteristics of some bishops is "forgetfulness." A certain bishop met me not long ago and it took several minutes for me to get him to remember who J. G. Robinson was. I said to myself, "Well, if you could see my letter files." Why will a man, Christian man, make out that he can't remember, when he is under no great law, other than the law of previous promises, many of which are like the fabled "pie crust." Whenever a man in the A. M. E. church starts to forgetting he wants to be made bishop.

Destiny Men.

Dr. C. S. Williams, of Cincinnati, might easily walk in my trap and be caught as a "Destiny Man." After taking a diploma from Payne Theological Seminary, he went back to the backwoods of Mississippi and started his ministerial career by walking twenty and thirty miles and preaching to ten and more, and by hard study and consistent efforts he marched steadily to the forefront, and today he is one of the connection's strongest pastors.

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Dr. C. M. Tanner is another one of those men of destiny. He has mastered conditions in both the east and the south, also in Africa. Any man who can succeed among people whose feelings, customs, etc., are as varied as are the people of Pittsburgh, Atlanta and West Africa, can do any work anywhere in the church.

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Watch special mention I shall soon make of John Harmon, A. S. Jackson, T. J. Askew, P. W. DeLyles, J. W. Whitesides, P. A. Scott, W. H. H. Butler, M. W. Thornton, R. W. Fickland and J. A. Jones.

HAGENBECK-WALLACE SHOWS

In Indianapolis Monday, August 18—Some Glimpses of the Offerings—Something of Inside Workings.

All of the animal acts with the Carl Hagenbeck and great Wallace circus are imported to this country from the famous Hagenbeck animal farm at Hamburg, Germany. There are many new animal faces with the big show this year, which comes to Indianapolis, Monday, August 18, for performances at 2 and 8 p. m., and a parade at 10 o'clock in the morning.

The baboon is probably the closest approach to the human race. Dr. Darwin believes that these little animals are really the missing links and his research work, which took place in the Hagenbeck winter quarters in Germany, covered a period of twenty years.

There are two troupes of baboon actors with the Hagenbeck-Wallace circus this season. One is handled by Mons. De Marce and the other by Mons. Felix. These little hairy fugitives have been taught to ride bicycles, unicycles, etc. They are dressed up as human beings and eat at the dining tent with their trainers, using the knife and fork better than a good many children. They even surpass human beings in some cases for they wash their teeth after each meal.

One of the monks has his private automobile. He rides to the stage where he performs. Looks at his watch and then goes through his performance, which consists of dancing with several members of the opposite sex, playing on a musical saxaphone, trick bicycle work and a little acrobatic exercise. The monk does not like the latter and he can only be made to do enough to keep in good trim.

The twenty-six educated monkeys with the circus put on a regular circus of their own and there are few feats performed by their kinfolks which they can not duplicate. Before the monkeys came to America from Germany, they performed before Kaiser Wilhelm and his family in the royal palace at Berlin.

The "cook tent" is one of the marvels of the modern circus. It was the custom for many years for the management to send its employes to the local "city" hotels for their food. The undertaking for providing meals for the army on the grounds was so stupendous that the best regulated show hesitated to make the essay. Finally, the objections to the old method made the accomplishment necessary. As circuses grew in size, the combined efforts of hotels and restaurants were unable to meet the demands thrust upon them.

B. E. Wallace was the first circus man to carry a complete commissary department with his aggregation, and later other shows followed in pursuit. Advance men now see that all needs of the commissary department are supplied—meat, vegetables and the other requirements await the hands of a dozen chefs. There are two separate and distinct culinary departments with the Hagenbeck-Wallace circus which comes to Indianapolis, Monday, August 18, for performances at 2 and 8 p. m. One is occupied by the workingmen, whose stomachs are not satisfied until the tents are raised and all the paraphernalia is on the lot. This is a wise idea which insures prompt and hasty work.

Under a nearby canvas are fed the executive staff, performers, men, women and children of the circus. There are neat tablecloths and china dishes. There is a bill of fare and one may find anything that is supplied in the dining room of the best metropolitan hotel. The food is cooked in the open and it has its own peculiar appetizing flavor. It is served in abundance, and a happier, heartier body never did more justice to a meal. Skillful waiters, neatly attired in white, do prompt attendance. As the "cook tents" are the first to be raised in the morning, they are necessarily the first to be packed away on the "flying squadron" at night, that breakfast may be served at 7 o'clock the following day, in a town probably a hundred miles away in another state.

CURRENT NEWS OF CHICAGO

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

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Mr. Finton Johnson has collected his poetry into a volume entitle "A Little Dreaming," which is to be brought out by the Peterson Publishing Company. Mr. Johnson is a frequent contributor to The Crisis magazine. His work has won high praise from Josephine Qurck Baker, the editor of Correct English, who prompted the publication of the book. As a playwright he is well known as the author of "The Color Line" and the "Flower of Hayti," both produced recently at the Pekin theater.

Alice Hegan Rice, author of the famous "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," in a personal letter from Germany to Mr. Johnson concerning one of his stories says: "I like the sincerity you used in dealing with your subject. The feeling was good and the style excellent. If you are in earnest I see no reason why you should not be successful. I do not think that your color will stand in the way in the least."

Modeste Hannis Jordan, a poet and critic, says: "You have the real poetical gift, the rare art of singing. I expect great things from you as a poet."

The book will be off the press in a few weeks and the publishers have set the price at 75 cents.

It pains us to note that Mr. Johnson is in the hospital this week under the care of a physician. It is hoped that he will be out soon to push the publication of his new book.

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Dr. Joseph E. Lezama has recently graduated from the Northwestern University and is interne at Provident Hospital. He will succeed Dr. Cook as head interne.

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West Michigan Resort.

Hot weather has arrived and the question is with most people here and all over the country where they go to keep cool and have a good evening's rest. People living in Chicago have the rare opportunity of living near one of the finest resorts in the country. The West Michigan Resort is owned and controlled by colored people. There is no like place in America, and has all the accommodations possible for the pleasure and health of its visitors. Mr. William Cowan, ex-president of Appomattox Club, is the president of the West Michigan Resort. He is one of Chicago's most progressive citizens. It was he who brought the Appomattox to its present high standard, and now he is going to make West Michigan Resort the pride of the Negroes of this country. It is located just a mile and a half from Benton Harbor, Mich. The resort sits upon a high plateau, right on Lake Michigan, and is the finest spot between here and Benton Harbor for bathing. The dining room is large and airy and can be turned into a dancing hall of evenings. The place has become so popular that many of Chicago's citizens go up on Friday and Saturday and spend the week end, returning Monday. Others in need of rest and a vacation go to spend two or three weeks. July 4 the Byron Brothers will be there and remain over until July 7. This will be the greatest opportunity for pleasure that has yet been afforded by the resort. One of the best features of the resort is the meals. They have excellent chefs and polite waitresses and the water is pure; vegetables new. The West Michigan Resort is the place for those wishing real pleasure in the summer. Visitors coming to Chicago should at least spend several days at this watering place.

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A special party is going to the West Michigan Resort Saturday of this week. During the month of August, the 500 Club will have a special party in honor of the club members visitors.

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The charming Miss Marie Burgette, of Milwaukee, Wis., is expected in the city next month and will be accompanied by one of the most beautiful girls of Milwaukee, Wis.

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Dr. George C. Hall and Mr. Wm. Cowan have returned to the city from a week end at the West Michigan Resort. Mrs. Sellie Cadozoe and daughter are at the resort this week and Mr. Art Cadozoe left Monday to be with his wife and daughter the remainder of the week.

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Mrs. James H. Brown and Miss Estelle Martin, of Sedalia, Mo., were entertained on Monday of this week by Mrs. Robert Thompson, 3120 Groveland Ave. There was whist and other amusements. Miss Martin won Japanese cake plate. Mrs. Brown and Miss Martin have been highly entertained since their sojourn visiting Mrs. Lula Jackson, 3528 Wabash Ave.

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Mr. and Mrs. Cheser A. Wicks left Saturday, July 19, for a two weeks' visit in Keokuk, Ia., with Mrs. Wick's relatives. They will also spenda few days in Galesburg and Shellvina, Mo.

LITTLE STORIES OF SUCCESS.

No. 2.

Roberts, the Baker Man.

Have you ever been to Boley? If you have not, you have, of course, heard of this prosperous town out in Oklahoma. It has some three thousand inhabitants—all Negroes. This is an up to date town. It has banks, first class dry goods stores, drug stores, grocery stores, cotton gins, steam laundries, bottling works, paved sidewalks, electric lights and a telephone system. It is on the main line of a railroad. The ticket agent, telegraph operator and other persons connected with the business of the railroad in Boley are all colored.

It has often been said that on considerable number of Negroes could live together without disorder, strife and lawlessness. Boley is the refutation of this slander. It is the universal testimony of the white traveling salesmen that Boley is one of the most orderly towns in Oklahoma. In fact, the town has no need for constables and police officers.

One of the reasons why Boley is such an orderly, prosperous town is because of the character of the people who have settled there. Caughey W. Roberts, the subject of this sketch, is a fine example of the class of people who are making Boley famous and demonstrating to the world that Negroes can build up a prosperous and orderly community. Roberts runs the leading bakery in the town. He is up to date in conducting his business and is one of the most progressive busoness men in that progressive town. The net profits from his business amount to from $1,200 to $1,500 annually. In addition to doing all he can to make his business a success, he is also actively engaged in church and Sunday school work and in other activities which make for the moral uplift of the community.

Roberts attributes much of his success to the hustling spirit of work and of thoroughness which he acquired while a student at Tuskegee Institute. In doing what he can for the general improvement of the community, he says he is only carrying out the Tuskegee idea. His home was originally in Valdosta, Ga., but after his graduation in 1906 he followed Horace Greely's advice and went west to grow up with the country.

Although he has been in business but a few years, he has accumulated considerable property in Boley, Taft, Clearview and other Oklahoma towns. The success of Roberts in the bakery business is an example of what can be done along this line in all parts of the South. In this field Negroes have an opportunity much greater than that they had in the field of catering twenty to fifty years ago in northern cities. As long as there are people in the world, just so long must they be fed. There will always be a demand for bakeries. In the South in the next few years there is going to be a greater demand than ever for them. Here is the opportunity for him who will take advantage of it.

Caughey W. Roberts' success in the bakery business also demonstrates the value of learning one of the many trades which are taught at Tuskegee Institute. If he had not learned a trade he might now, instead of having a business netting him from $1,200 to $1,500 a year, be a day laborer earning only three or four hundred dollars a year.

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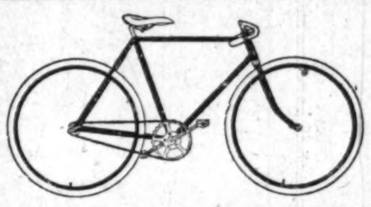

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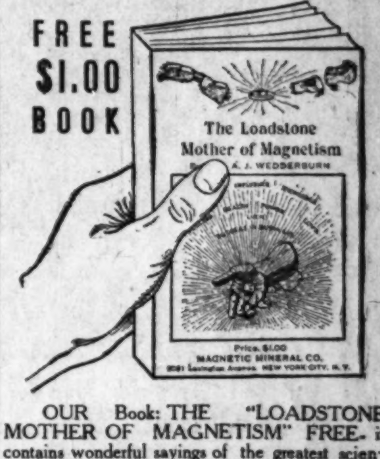

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MEMBER
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So Philadelphia or Baltimore. Take your choice. Why not take both of them in?

The Republican and Democrat independents have concluded that Dr. William H. Johnson, Progressive candidate for mayor, was good enough for them.

Since we come to think a Negro had the distinction of being Register of the Treasury before an Indian—more than one. Give poor Loo a show; it is his first effort at office holding.

The Mexican government is on its dignity as it concerns President Wilson's special representative, John Lind. It smacks of the punctilio of the erstwhile old world diplomacy.

The appointment of Dr. George Buckner, of Evansville, Ind., as minister to Liberia, Africa, is a good one. Dr. Buckner is spoken of commendingly at his home and elsewhere that he is known. We congratulate him as much on his determination to accept the post as for the honor conferred on him.

George L. Knox, of the Freeman, has been asked to become a member of the advisory council of commission appointed by his excellency, the Governor of Illinois, to conduct the National Half-Century Anniversary of Negro freedom. He will accept the honor, and will do his best to have the commission prove its worth of the honor thrust on it. According to the program the exposition will be held in 1915.

If the jingoes and big land owners are shouting for war with Mexico they should be made to bear its brunt in event it comes. It was little Peterkin who wanted to know what it was all about when old Caspar told him of the famous victory. It would be just so with those who would have to fight in the event of war. They would not know what it was about. Let the peace movement grow in reality as well as on paper.

Governor Sulzer, of New York, may wobble out of his trouble all right. He has proven a splendid friend to the colored folks. And you know love hides a multitude of faults. Not that we hold that he is guilty of the charges against him. They are foreign to his duties as Governor, being if sustained, merely personal faults of an individual. No effort here is even meant to make less of the charges. They are gross in effect, so gross that we hope the Governor will succeed in getting away from them.

And then when the half century of freedom anniversaries are over, bear in mind that the three hundredth anniversary of the Negro presence in the United States will be in 1919. We are the foremost Negroes of the world. Will we celebrate? If so its none too early to get to thinking. By the way, Indianapolis is the most central spot in all the land for an exposition. Too early? Let us see. Boston has already chosen the year 1920 for herself for the celebration of the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers.

According to the report of a young engineer of Lexington, Ind., who recently returned from Haiti, presenting arms when ordered to do so, the military escort to the body of Tancrede Auguste, president of Haiti, aimed their rifles at the coffin and riddled it with bullets.

"The shooting," he said, "occurred in the Cathedral of St. Mary, Mr. Kemp said, at the conclusion of a funeral service of great solemnity and in the presence of hundreds of persons. Mr. Kemp was one of a party of Americans who attended the funeral. The church was thrown into an uproar and the funeral throng fled in panis."

The canal will open in October so they say. Our Theodore hopes to preside at the opening and thus go down in history in intimate relation with the most colossal undertaking by man. Well he made the Panama possible. Some criticised his method when he cut the Gordion Knot rather than worry with disentangling it. But the colonel will stand out just the same, for making the canal possible. It was but human to wish to stand at the finis, thus making for imperishable fame as the great work is imperishable. Ambition, however, is not confined. If Mr. Roosevelt did not reach his ambition's summit, nevertheless he ascended very high, and measuring the height by the depths of other men he should be greatly pleased.

Not much comfort comes of the fact that the Maryland court of appeals decided that the West segregation ordinance for Baltimore was unconstitutional. The court gave the opinion that mayor and city council of Baltimore have the power and authority to pass a segregating ordinance which can stand the test of the courts. So it appears that the law is temporarily defeated only, and that the law making body of that city has only to make a "perfect" law in order to bring about what it has striven so hard to do. The opinion, doubtless, chills the hope of the Baltimore Negroes who have worked hard to sidetrack the civil iniquity. It may be that the "perfect" ordinance will never be. It cannot be by all that is right and proper.

NATIONAL NEGRO PRESS ASSOCIATION.

The National Negro Press Association also meets in Philadelphia this year, the session convening a few days previous to the National Negro Business League meeting. Here follows the authoritative call:

By order of the President, Mr. R. W. Thompson, of Washington, D. C., and the chairman of the Executive Committee, Mr. N. B. Hodson, of 309 Berriman St., Brooklyn, New York, you are hereby called to meet the National Negro Press Association in annual session, at 10 o'clock A. M., Monday, August 18th, at the Cherry Street Memorial Baptist church, Philadelphia, Pa.

The session will be held from the 18th to the 19th inclusive. All periodicals, publications and individuals having qualified by the payment of $1.00 as annual fee on or before the meeting is called, will be allowed a voice in the proceedings as full fledged members.

Matters of great importance affecting the Negro newspapers, publishers, correspondents, editors, and managers will be taken up for consideration. A full report of the officers of the past year will be made. If you find it impossible to be present, then send your credentials or proxy by some member of the Association, that you may be represented. Those who have not qualified will have this last opportunity to do so by sending to the corresponding secretary $1.00.

The Executive Committee will meet at the Cherry Street Memorial Baptist church on Christian St., at 8:30 A. M. Monday morning, August 18th. A report of the officers will be made with some recommendations to the association this year.

Henry A. Boyd, secretary.

THE NATIONAL NEGRO BUSINESS LEAGUE.

The National Negro Business League will meet in its Fourteenth annual session at Philadelphia, Aug. 20-22. The league has become well known for its efforts and accomplishments. Results have followed the annual meetings, and which have been held in various cities.

Wherever the meetings have been held the kindliest interest has been manifested by the mayors and other officials. This was due to the good reports that have gone out from the meetings from time to time. The object has been to encourage in always possible those men and women who travel, many of them great distances, spending their own money in order to be at the annual meetings. Philadelphia has voted $5,000 to be spent in making it pleasant for the visitors.

As it is well known Dr. Booker T. Washington is the presiding genius of the National Negro Business League meeting, and has been since the organization took form. He has injected much of the spirit which has made for his splendid Tuskegee. He has the work at heart, plays no favorite, giving opportunity to those able and worthy. This has reference to the program which is seen elsewhere in this issue. Yearly, from here and there, his committee selects individuals, men and women who have made success in their business. These give others the advantage of their experiences through talks along their line.

The program this year promises to be more eventful than that of last year.

Philadelphia is putting herself on record as a city of hospitality. White and colored people have made arrangement to care for the strangers within their gates in a fine manner. Everything bids fair to make the meeting a great success.

We might add that Dr. Washington is ably assisted by an executive board, members of which are chosen from the various states. The other officials are no less active and influential to the end that successful meetings are brought about.

DR. BUCKNER FOR LIBERIA.

The appointment of Dr. George W. Buckner as minister to Liberia seems assured. William J. Bryan, secretary of state, has sent his name to President Wilson who, as it is understood, will send his name to the senate for confirmation.

Dr. Buckner was born in Green county, Kentucky, in 1856, of slave parents, and was a slave. After the civil war he went to Indianapolis, where he attended the public schools, working his way. Later he went to the State Normal school at Terre Haute, where he was a student two years. He returned to Indianapolis and was graduated from the Eclectic Medical college in 1890. Dr. Buckner came to Evansville soon afterward. He has a wife and several children and they will accompany him to his post in Africa. Dr. Buckner says he can recall the time when he was the only Negro in Evansville aliated with the Democratic party.

The appointment which was conceded Dr. Buckner several weeks ago seems to meet general approval. This has in mind particularly the Negro Democrats and the colored people as a whole. The Negro Democrats see in the appointment the recognition of their efforts, while the Negroes generally are pleased to see that the administration shows some signs of consideration for the race. However, the appointment of a white man to succeed Dr. Furniss as minister to Haiti is not so assuring that the Negroes will get much comfort of the Wilson administration.

Really the appointing of a white man as successor to Dr. Furniss is rather alarming. It could mean that the post is held to be of too much importance, monetary or otherwise, to go to a Negro. If so then its goodbye to race prospects for big office at Washington, D. C. The only hope against this possible conclusion is that it may have been thought that the appointment to a Negro meant friction with a long detail of possibilities, this in view of the numerous candidates, which of course was owing to value and prominence of the plum. Such men as Bishop Walters and Prof. DuBois were said to be among the many candidates. New York furnished two or three prominent candidates. Indiana presented Drs. Oliver and Buckner. Other states are yet to be heard from, none of which but had its Village Hampden, perhaps, and who feel able to take care of the job.

Dr. Buckner from indications, will accept the Liberian post in event of confirmation, notwithstanding the fact that he asked for Haiti. We think of him as being fortunate even at that, in view of the rather discouraging outlook for good offices. The administration has our good opinion provided the appointment of Dr. Buckner is in earnest of a further effort to have the Negroes feel that they are a part of the nation in the better sense. Too much is not expected of a Democratic situation, looking at it in a political way. Yet something of a good substantial nature should come off at Washington, D. C., some good appointment as a matter of keeping faith with the Negroes who have learned to gauge their political and civil standing largely by what is done at Washington.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

Thirty-fourth Annnal Session, G. U. O. O. F. and Thirteenth Annoal Session Household of Ruth End at Fort Worth, Texas.

The great volume of business transacted the past week marked a new epoch in the affairs of the Odd Fellows of Texas. All grand lodge officers and delagtes, Households of Ruth and each department of the order were represented. The various department heads showed unlimited growth and increase in financial values, and each session was well attended by all delegates who were in attendance. The district grand master's annual address was quite lengthy, but it had the goods that made all proud of him, and the great work now being done by the Odd Fellows in Texas. Other grand lodge officials made good reports and the various committees had their brains taxed in searching and auditing their accounts and reporting at the proper time. "Keep sawing wood at each session," was the slogan. Money now on hands in the secretary's office is $11,819.02. There were many new faces in both the grand lodges, who were impressed with the methods, questions and problems, and who gave expressions of thought concerning the future welfare of the order. The election was a love-feast for one and all, both in the Household of Ruth and the Odd Fellows. The installations were the feature after the annual parade, which was most beautiful to the thousands who stood as it passed along and out to Douglass park. Fort Worth's Young Men's Band furnished the music and the local committees should be congratulated for all that they did toward bringing about the success that marked the affair. Eureka, the M. V. P., two companies of the Ninth regiment of Texas patriarchs, looked fine. The auto section and Juveniles, with flying colors and pennants, caught everyone's eye. Carriages and decorated coupes, surreys, and buggies, with flying colors, proved to all that the order is marching on to the goal financially, while the wood-sawing will go on for two years longer in the Odd Fellows' forest of Texas. It seemed a task to the entire delegations to again be in school at each session. The low seats made several rise more than usual. The local committees of the Fort brought Odd Fellows back to school days, and the hot sun kept each delegate in and there were no lates and tardies at each session. The Sisters of the Households held daily sessions in the basement and they were there strictly for business; on time and made fine reports. What order can beat the heads of each department in the order for reporting items to the fullest and to the satisfaction of all, as was the case in the grand lodge session just closed? Just now and then some delegate would try his skill at oratory, but they were reminded of the slogan, "Saw Wood," and they would cool off and sit down. A large number of the delegates exchanged visits between the West Texas Conference Sunday School, and Epworth League, which were in session at the same time on Main street, at the M. E. church. Rev. J. S. Wyatt, of Dallas, presided; Dr. N. J. Johnson, secretary; Rev. J. A. Featherstone, Mrs. N. B. Kirkpatrick, T. H. Wyatt, committees. Capt. I. White, of Jewell Company No. 5, and his men journeyed to Cleburne last Monday night on a financial matter and made good.

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Mrs. Ella Nicols, 1007 Bluff street, celebrated her thirty-second birthday with a large circle of her friends. All enjoyed themselves.

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Mrs. L. M. Donifer leaves for a six months' visit in Colorado, Illinois and other points.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. Flynn take this means of expressing their gratitude to one and all who so heroically asisted them since the burning of their home and its contents.

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It just didn't look right to the people who come to the Fort to not go to the temple on arriving and at the close of each session groups could be seen standing around there.

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The boys, young and old, like to be around Ninth and Jones streets, somehow. Well, they should, because the bulk of Negro business places are there to welcome you with good cheer.

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Dr. R. T. Hamilton, grand medical examiner of the endowment department and Household of Ruth, made one of the best reports that was ever made to any grand lodge, of the methods used in the medical examination. It showed that 2,898 persons had been examined during the year; of that number, 300 were rejected. The doctor is one of the idols of the grand lodge because of his genial manner to one and all. There are others, of course,—but.

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District Grand Secretary G. W. Jackson reported $5,001.02; grand total orphans' home funds, $3,061.75, and made aringing appeal for the lodges to do business right.

There were many visitors in each session.

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A law should be passed that a substantial fine be charged to every delegate and local lodge member who refuses to take a part in these annual parades of all the lodges when in grand lodge session and whatever city in which they are held. It is a reflection on the order to not fully represent them in these parades and also on the lodge which sends the delegate.

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The paper pirates were at the grand lodge session in numbers and some of them took subscriptions for ten cents on a year's subscription. Only those who will take a chance will bite and have been bit, would do such a thing.

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Dallas, the metropolis where people are clamoring for The Freeman and are being satisfied. Others should do likewise.

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Mrs. Joe E. Walker and sister, Mrs. M. W. Cockrell, of Muscogee, Okla., are visiting relatives and friends in Waxachie.

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The friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. Tiggs, 2104 East Cadiz street, sympathize with them in their loss by fire of their household goods last Friday night while they were at the theater.

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Mr. Wm. Sanders is recuperating at Hot Springs, Ark.

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Persons living at Fort Worth who have receipts for subscriptions for this paper, The Freeman, should take up the matter with J. G. Griffin at once and get your papers mailed to your address, or see Mr. Chas. R. Crouchtemple, at the drug store. No one else in the Fort has the authority to do soliciting for this publication, so don't be fleeced. J. G. Griffin, state representative, headquarters 2922 Cochran street, Dallas, Texas.

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The Order of Seven Stars of Consolidation of Texas has just closed its grand lodge session in Fort Worth, and has made a showing that surprised the members of other orders, in membership and the personality of its officials and delegates in attendance from over the state. In union there is strength. Does not the race need it?

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Mr. C. M. Wade, Joe E. Collins, Henry Sims, Barber Johnson and several other Odd Fellows spent last Friday night in the Fort mingling with friends.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis, of Houston, spent the week here as the guests of Mrs. V. Moten, 1915 Camp Street.

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Mrs. M. E. Green spent her vacation in Houston and Galveston and has returned to her home, corner North Allen and State streets.

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A large number of the best families in Dallas and Fort Worth mourn with Mr. and Mrs. Dock Richardson, 2819 State street, in the death of their daughter, Miss Ethel, nineteen years old, a young lady of promise. Her circle of society and church friends will ever miss her. A bank of flowers marks the place of her burial. The services were largely attended and the auditorium could not accommodate all. D. N. J. Johnson, pastor of St. Paul M. E. church, of which she was a member, officiated. Several resolutions and condolences were read. The following young ladies and gentlemen acted as pall-bearers Misses Myrtle Plicque, Beulah Gaines, Kate Bradford, Ollie Gray, Julia Heflin, and Messrs. Chas. Plicque, Son Heflin, G. D. Baker, R. Jones, and N. White, together with a host of friends who joined the funeral cortege to the cemetery on Saturday, August 2.

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Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey Dixon, 2812 Gillott street, are having some improvements made on their residence by Negro workmen.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rosco visited in Shreveport, La., and returned home.

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Mrs. J. Nelson, of Fort Worth, and Mrs. Mary Kate Johnson, of Terrell, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Cole, 2506 Juliett street, the past week.

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To say that the people in Dallas are not becoming interested in the well-drilled tactician and military evolutions would be an injury to hundreds who were at Fairview park coliseum last Monday night. They were there to see for themselves and they did. The boys all looked their best, and they trust that the guests enjoyed themselves.

You have only sixteen days left in which to get on the $1.00 rate. The Freeman, one year, $1.00.

SPRUDELS AGAIN BEATEN BY SPEEDY CUBAN STARS

Islanders Drive Williams Off Mound and Win, 5 to 3—Simpson Does Well as Relief.

WEST BADEN, Ind., August 13.—The West Baden Sprudels were handed their second defeat at the hands of the Cuban Stars to-day in a hotly contested battle, resulting in a final score of 5 to 3. Williams started the game and was hard hit. Simpson relieved him in the fourth, and, backed by fast fielding, held the Cubans safe thereafter. Toranto was a puzzle to the Sprudels. Score:

Stars ....0 1 2 1 1 0 0 0 0—5 8 2
Sprudels ......0 0 1 1 0 1 0 0 0—3 3 1

Batteries—Toranto and Rodrique; Williams, Simpson and O'Neil. Umpire—Lyons.

MULDOONS WIN.

Down Louisville White Sox at Spring Bank Park by Shutout Score.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Special).

In a well played game the Louisville White Sox were defeated by the Cincinnati Muldoons last Saturday afternoon at Spring Bank Park by the score of 2 to 0. The contest was a pitchers' battle between Voelker and West, with the former having a shade the better. Clever fielding by Reuther, of the Muldoons, cut down a number of seemingly safe drives. Next Sunday the White Sox play the colored All-Stars of Nashville. The score:

Muldoons ....0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—2
White Sox ....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0

CUBANS BEAT SPRUDELS.

WEST BADEN, Ind., Aug. 12.—The Cuban Stars opened a two-game series with the West Baden Sprudels today at the West Baden Springs ball park and the fans were treated to a lively and spirited contest, which resulted in a victory for the Cuban Stars with a final score of 9 to 8. The feature of the game was Ladargo's home run in the sixth with the bases full. Score:

Cuban Stars ..1 0 3 0 0 4 0 1 0—9 9 2
Sprudels ......1 1 1 0 4 0 0 0 1—8 7 2

Batteries—Perrera and Figerola; Williams, Miller and O'Neal.

A. B. C.'S PLAY FORTVILLE.

The crack Fortville Athletics will be the attraction at Northwestern park next Sunday, playing Bowser's A. B. C.'s. The Athletics have been playing a fast game all season and expect to get revenge for the defeat handed them a few weeks ago by the local colored chams. The Fortville aggregation has two crack pitchers in Al Whitridge and Troutman. Whitridge recently held the Indianapolis Reserves to six hits in twelve innings. Manager Abrams of the A. B. C.'s expects to add several new faces to his club, although it has been going at a fast clip.

KID ASH PUTS IT ON "GOO-GOO EYES" FIELDS

Kid Ash, of Cincinnati, put it on "Goo-Goo Eyes" Fields at the Union theater last Monday night before a large crowd. The long boy went down before the Cincinnati kid in the fourth round of the scheduled ten. Kid Ash is short and stocky. The middleweights mixed it from the opening bell and kept the crowd on its feet every second of the tangle. Ash kept driving away at Field's middle section and finally got the latter's guard down—then a right and left hook and slow music for Fields.

Ash made a tremendous hit with his aggressive tactics and was showered with handclasps after he had stowed his opponent away.

Lincoln Giants Take a Double Header on Last Saturday—Win the First Game on Tuesday and Lose the Second—Wet Grounds on Monday and Sunday—Chicago Giants and American Giants to Play on Sunday—Doctors and Dentists and Pharmacists Will Play Against the Emergencies—Grace Presbyterian Team in Double Header.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

The Lincoln Giants held a slugfest on last Saturday afternoon in a double header at the American Giants park. The first game was between the American Giants and the Lincoln Giants. Williams pitched a wonderful game, defeating the American Giants, 11 to 6. Mr. Foster used Gatewood and Lindsey and then Taylor was sent to the bag before the home boys were knocked skyward. Taylor redeemed the reputation for the Giants at this particular game. In the last contest the Cuban Stars were beaten unmercifully, the score being 14 to 2.

LINCOLN GIANTS.

	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Potes, cf	2	1	2	0	0
Hewitt, rf	3	4	2	0	1
Lloyd, ss	2	2	2	0	1
Johnson, 2b	0	1	1	5	2
Bennett, lf	0	2	0	0	0
Wiley, c	2	1	5	1	0
Grant, 1b	1	1	12	1	0
Williams, p	1	2	0	3	0
Francis, 3b	0	0	2	0	0
—Total	11	14	27	10	4

AMERICAN GIANTS.

	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Petway, c	1	0	4	4	0
Hill, lf	1	2	0	1	1
B. Taylor, 1b	1	2	10	1	0
Lind, cf p rf	1	0	0	0	0
Barber, rf cf	1	1	7	0	1
I. Taylor, 3b	0	2	1	0	0
Gatewood, p	0	0	0	0	0
Kindle, 2b	1	1	0	0	0
J. M. Taylor, p	0	0	0	0	0
Monroe, 2b, rf	0	0	2	3	0
Hutchinson, ss	0	2	3	3	0
Total	6	10	27	12	2

Lincolns ....0 1 3 5 0 1 1 0 0—11
Americans ....3 0 3 0 0 0 0 0 0— 6

Two base hits—Grant, Williams. Three base hit—Lloyd. Home run—B. Taylor. Double play—B. Taylor to Monroe. Struck out—By Williams, 5; by Gatewood, 1; by Lindsey, 1; by Taylor, 3. Bases on halls—Off Williams, 3; off Gatewood, 1; off Lindsey 1; off Taylar, 1. Umpires—Goeckel and White.

Time—2:10.

Second game: R.H.E.
Lin. Giants ...1 6 0 3 0 4 0 0—14 22 1
C. Stars ......0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0— 2 7 3

Batteries—Gans and Santop; Pedros, Junco and Rodriquas and Figarola.

No Game Sunday and Monday.

There was no game on last Sunday nor Monday. The weather was very bad and both the American Giants and the Pythian game at Comiskey's park were postponed.

Double Header Tuesday.

A large crowd witnessed the double header on Tuesday between the American Giants and the Lincoln Giants. The first game was won by the Lincoln's, 3 to 2, and the second, the American Giants shut out the Lincolns. In the first game Crawford pitched for the home team and Petway caught. Barber caught a fly in deep right and threw the ball home to Petway, ten feet from the base and dove in time to put a man out. It was one of the most sensational plays seen at the park this season. There was a splendid chance to tie the game in the eighth inning when the Americans brought in one score, but their hard efforts failed. In the ninth "Rube" put up his pinch hitters but Parks was out at the bag, Kindle out at home and Booker out on a fly. Score of the first half:

Lin. Giants ......1 0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0—3
Am. Giants ....1 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0—2

SECOND GAME.

The Lincoln Giants were shut out for the first time this season. It was the fine pitching and Taylor and the splendid support of the entire team. With Lloyd missing had something to do with the defeat of the Lincolns. Early in the game, Lloyd was going to secoond like a streak of lightening, Barber was there and unavoidably, the champion shortstop was spiked and that badly, so much so that he was carried off the field, put into an auto and sent to Dr. H. Reginold Smith's office. Dr. Smith was in a box and as the accident occurred was immediately upon the field. Williams pitched for the Lincoln's and Wiley cause. "Steel Arm Taylor" and Booker were the opposing battery. The Americans made a score in the third inning and followed with two more in the eighth. The score:

Lin. Giants ......0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0
Am. Giants ....0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 2—3

Chicago Giants Vs. American Giants.

The Chicago Giants who have been playing some very fine ball all the season, will play at Schorling's Park on Sunday. Crawford, the famous Southpaw twirler will pitch for the Chicago Giants. Frank Leland, owner of the team states that he will stake his life on the Chicago Giants and that he has the best team of the two. Seats are now on sale at the box office. Mr. Foster thinks that the Chicago boys play good ball but will not be able to down his men. Both teams have friends and several thousand people are expected to see the game.

Americans Leave for Cincinnati.

The American Giants will play in Cincinnati, Ohio, three days this week. On Saturday the Doctors, Dentists and the Emergencies and the Grace Presbyterian and Second teams will cross bats.

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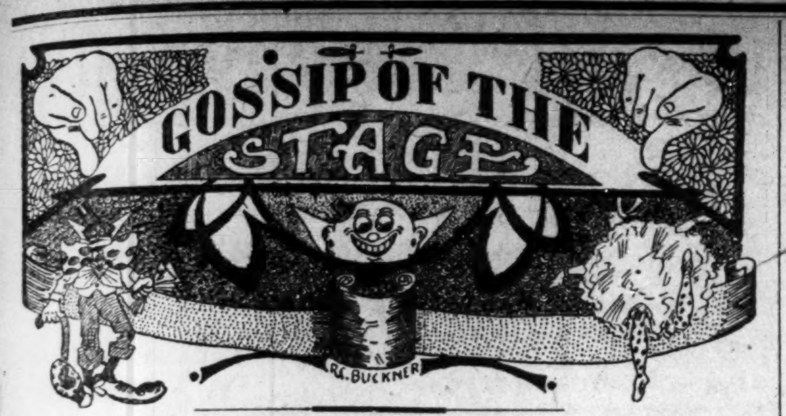

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STAGE NOTES.

The Minstrel Four, opening August 11, Pike theater, Mobile, Ala.

Tolliver Trio held over a second week, August 11, at Pike theater, Mobile, Ala.

Little Johnny Jones and company at Colonial theater, Brantford, Ont., week of August 11, with Toronto to follow, August 18.

T. L. P. H. Davis is at the Cosmo theater, Indianapolis, this week. Will sing at the Alabama next week.

Mrs. Lila Moore, of the team of John and Lila, will join her husband in two weeks. Regards to the profession.

Leon and Cooper, magicians, were in the city this week en route to Chicago. They report a good season ahead of them.

Leon and Cooper, comedy magicians in Indianapolis this week, playing white theaters. Will be at the Crown week of September 1st.

Tim E. Owsley, manager of the Crown Garden theater, Indianapolis, was in Chicago this week, looking after the interest of his house.

The Greens, Ella and Eddie, en route with the Georgia Coon Shouters, are buying wardrobe so as to be agle to change at each performance.

Frank H. Dukes, singing and dancing comedian, in his fourt hweek at the Progressive theater, Augusta, G. A. Will open soon on S. H. Dudley western time.

Ji mWise is now and has been since April 14, 1913, stage manager at the Pike theater, Mobile, Ala. Sends regards to his friends. Located here for the next year at least, ifthe cool gulf breeze does not kill him.

The Skinner Stock Company is entering its fourth week at the Globe theater, Spartansburg, S. C. It is scoring each night, pleasing the manager, George Lyons, and the patrons. Emma Skinner, manager of the stock company.

Mrs. Pearl La Rose Smith, wife of John H. Smith, of Smith and La Rose, departed this life Saturday, July 26, at 8:30 a. m. Funeral, July 29, 2 p. m., at the late residence, 1870 A Pacific street, Brooklyn, N. Y. Interment, Evergreen cemetery.

Prof. Geo. A. Williams, who has been a success and elevation to the Rabbit Foot Company for nearly a year, with his band of note in the Southern land, has severed his connection, to take a much higher position, which will be announced later.

J. Lott O'Neal, the comedian with the six feet of fun, and Walter R. Ryans, the original Dr. Quack from South Carolina, the pair that puts the U in fun and fun in you, will be seen in their new act with Palmer and Nipson's greater minstrels, August 22.

The Woodens, that classy cyclists, after a successful season, through the South, and a short vacation at their home in Cairo, Ill., will open on the Colored Consolidated Vaudeville Circut at Kansas City the week of August 18, with Indianapolis and St. Louis to follow.

Mrs. Pitt, better known to the profession as Miss Wescott, has been on the sick list since she and her husband's two weeks' engagement at the Globe theater in Jacksonville. She is better now and the Dreamland theater, in Apalachicola, will join her husband, Mr. J. B. Pitt, at Fla. Pitt is a comedian of the late Ernest Hogan style; keeps them in an uproar.

Billy Ewing, King of Kards, who spent several weeks this summer in Indianapolis, singing at different houses, is in Memphis, Tenn. He says: "The sentiment of the southern managers is rapidly turning in favor of a booking exchange with recognized ability, and capable of letting their houses have the best, as we know the Colored Consolidated Vaudeville Exchange can do that, and sooner or later I think it is the desire of the best managers of the South to give their patrons a chance to see the best of the colored profession by routing their chain of theaters and paying the performers the same salary that they receive in the North. The route via St. Louis, Memphis, Birmingham, Atlanta, Chattanooga, Nashville to Louisville, and other houses perhaps joining will still further break the jumps." He sends regards to Mr. Kline and Manager Tim, the wizard.

GRAND THEATER, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA.

The Grand at Birmingham has been a success ever since its opening, and particularly last week when tremendous crowds thronged the beautiful playhouse nightly.

Henderson and Lee, the comedy skit team, went well.

Jimmie Dick and Gertrude Strufflin, singing and talking artists, were amusing and clever and added greatly to the bill.

Queen Dora, the fire dancer with electrical effects, was a great novelty, receiving much applause.

Baby F. Seals and Baby Floyd Fisher have the goods and kept the audience roaring from start to finish.

The Two Sweets are favorites here and are booked for another week.

The Minstrel Four, introducing Airship Webb, Rastus Matox, Nicholas and Cuba Austin, was a pleasing feature.

Arrant and Arrant and Chicken Reel Beaman are among next week's big attractions.

CIRCLE THEATER, PHILADELPHIA.

Brown and Lawson are the headliners. An immense business in spite of the hot weather, which shows either an enchanted house or stars of unusual magnetism.

Minus and Bryant, a breezy team of vaudevillians, opened the show and made a success that anyone would be proud of. The Bradfords followed with a scream act from start to finish. Daddy Mathews, better known as Mockingbird Rube, gave the act which made him famous years ago. Rube seems to grow younger with age. Brown and Lawson, direct from the big time, gave a clean, up-to-date offering, "Coming From the Pork Chop Club." Brown's comedy and eccentric dancing and Miss Lawson's excellent flow of speech places this act in a class by itself. The pictures were also a hit, and equal to any I ever saw.

WHITMAN SISTERS DEFEND THEIR NAME

There are only three original Whitman Sisters, and they are all Yaller. Mattie Dorsey has no legal right to use the name Whitman. She is an Imposter. Mabel Whitman &Picks are on Proctors circuit, New York, and Alberta, Essie & Sunbeams are at their summer home, Asbury Park, N. J.

PHILADELPHIA THEATER CHANGES HANDS

John T. Gibson No Longer Owner of Auditorium.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., August 11.—The Auditorium theater, one of the finest play houses in the state of Pennsylvania, has passed from the hands of that well known theatrical magnate into those of J. Goodman.

Mr. John H. Smith, popularly known in theatrical circles, has assumed management of this theater and has already begun negotiations for booking first class acts. He has informed this office that he desires to hear from performers wishing dates.

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GEORGE FREEMAN NOT CONNECTED WITH GRAND

Says He Was Never Manager of Playhouse.

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 8.

The Freeman,
Indianapolis, Ind.
Dear Sirs:

In your issue of July 19, under the heading of "Can Performers Live in the South," by Whitman & Lazzo, you have another would-be manager, George Freeman, of Birmingham, Ala. I beg to state that I will appreciate if you will make note in your next issue stating that Mr. George Freeman has not and is not connected with the Grand Theater, as it will give a great many people the idea that the Grand is involved in that controversy.

Thanking you in advance I am
Yours truly,
H. A. SPIELBERGER.

AT THE WASHINGTON, D. C., THEATERS.

Foraker.

Ross and Wright, a good team with fair crowds.

Grand.

A good team in songs and dancing with several good pictures, closes a good bill.

Iceland Airdome.

Billy and Gracie Amte with a supporting company of twelve in a musical comedy went big with an increase in price, but not in the crowd; some good pictures.

Palace Airdome.

Watts and Turner; a classy team; an act that speaks for itself; closing number, the Ghost of the Violin. Best ever seen here. Some good Kay Bee pictures; also big crowds.

S. H. Dudley Theater.

Miss Kitty Berry in high class songs opened bill with success, followed by Jessie Brown, a real funny comedian, that cleaned up. Then came those Koelord Kand Kids, Jines and Hill, a real funny man and a nice looking lady that screamed them. Some good pictures.

Chelsea.

A trio composed of Bill Bailey, Kid Bates and Alady played the week here and worried along through the heat amid storm and tempest with no sunshine at all. the least said about them the better. They are local talent and will do well and show common sense by staying home. Their jokes are real smutty, they had to change them each night but did not improve the good pictures saved the bill.

Fairyland.

With the poet and peasant as an overture by Prof. Nelson, the new manager made a good start with a large crowd King and Gee, vaudeville, best dressed team. Nuff said. Everybody knows them. They played here with their usual success. Miss Mary Gee, a sister of Miss Lottie, is now smiling at the box office to all who appear quite an improvement, while Mr. Frank Kearney is still on the job looking them over.

P. S. Sorry to say there is lots of kicking here on the Whitman. Freeman writings inthe last issues of the paper as I think it my duty to inform you of the sentiment of the people; they all complain to me while I have not said anything either way in my heart I thing both parties and their writings real trashy. The public is not interested in their personals, let them settle it themselves. Understand I am not butting in your business; only duty.

The Grand Has Fine Bill—Blondie Robinson at Monogram—Theatrical Picnic Postponed—"Stroll" Notes.

The Grand.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 12.—The photo plays at the Grand were highly enjoyable this week. The audience seemed to like the reels immensely. Fritaz Houston, in a distinct novelty act in cartooning was a number one bill. So different from those seen here on former occasions. Charles Wheeler in pianology just what the doctor ordered to cure the blues from the rainy days the first of the week. Lew Cantor's Choo choo choo girls with James Barrett brought forth manyhands. This was followed with Dayton, Hahn and Burton, the powerful voices in vaudeville. Act was pleasing and entertaining and "went big." The three Garcias in tramboline bar and casting novelty closed the bill which was a most satisfying one.

The Monogram.

Neville the Great, slight of hander, opened the bill. He is a young man and his tricks were well received. Frankie Barton and Picks opened with the minstrel band, sing "My Men," and the "Robert E. Lee." This was their first time here and made good. Charles Anderson, the Yodler opened with Baby Sleep, rendered Baby Seals Rags and the Coco song. Good voice, handles it will, received many hands. Blondie Robinson and company, hit of the bill, eccentric dancer. Good act and well liked by all.

Picnic Postponed.

The theatrical picnic which was to have been at Glenwood park on Monday was postponed by Mr. McCann until next Thursday. A large crowd was at the depot but it was thought best not to have it on such an ugly day.

Pleasing Her Customers.

Mrs. John Carter, proprietor of the Profia Sharing Laundry, the best laundry along the "Stroll," located at 3025 State street, is pleasing her many customers with the excellent work of the laundry. From all reports she is doing nicely with her business and she states she is greatly pleased with the patronage given her by the "strollers." More and more the colored men and women along the "stroll" are learning the habit of helping one another. Mr. Carter has two automobiles and is doing a thriving business.

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The rain put a damper on the "stroll" this week.

THE HRRY C. SANFORD STOCK CO.

GALVESTON, Tex., August 16.—Harry C. Sanford's Stock Company is appearing at the Lincoln Theater, located on Twenty-fifth street, between Market and the post-office, and the hit of their life, in a sensational musical comedy entitled, "The House of Mystery." The company is headed by Mr. Harry C. Sanford, who is said to be one of the best young comedians in the business. He is being supported by such able performers as Miss Bertha Lowe, one of the South's best coon shouters; Miss Lela Donson, Galveston's favorite soprano singer; Miss Carrie Sanford, Kansas City's box office favorite vaudeville and stock artists; Miss Alma Hughes, the singing demon; Miss Emma Johnson, the little dancing doll; Mr. Froncell Manley, one of the best straight men in the business.

Mr. Haryr C. Sanford is said to be one of the youngest producers in the business, and, it might be said, one of the best in the business. Mr. Sanford says hello to Billy Kling, of Kansas City, and also Ulysses Cross.

H. C. S.

Monologuist and Parodist.

Chicken Reel Beaman, after closing a successful engagement at the Crown Garden, Indianapolis, has gone to Birmingham, Ala. Chicken Reel is one of the race's most finished performers. He is full of intelligent fun. His work is of quality. He has a splendid voice; also a good understanding. This makes for his success.

CHICKEN REEL BEAMAN,

CINCINNATI, O., THEATRICALS.

Taylor and Taylor, of Louisville, Ky., have returned to the Pekin theater after an absence of a couple of years. The team is well known on the avenue, having played here on numerous occasions. This time they show to better advantage than on any former visit, with pretty costumes as well as new songs.

Notes.

Miss Lucy Shepherd is the curtain raiser at the night show with several new songs and a "visible" gown on, you get a good show for your money.

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A floor board in the dressing room of the Pekin broke with Miss Daisy Martin last week, injuring her seriously.

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Criswell and Bailey, a high-class sister team, will be the attraction at the Pekin next week.

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Miss Sarah Cowan is attracting large crowds every day at the matinees.

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Miss Jennie Monroe, secretary and treasurer of the Pekin, has been indisposed for several days.

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The American Giants and the Cuban Stars, two of the strongest baseball teams in the country, will open up a three-day series at League parq, August 14.

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Active work has started again on the new theater at Fifth and John streets.

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Goodloe and Delk will follow Criswell and Bailey at the Pekin.

THE QUEEN THEATER, WILMINGTON, N. C.

Business is good in the show line in spite of the hot weather. Billy Cross, the hard-working man, is giving the people something new all the time. On the bill was that classy team, the Williams Sisters, Gertrude and Brisco, from the high notchers, some more act, and they got their share of applause. Eddy Day, the human corkscrew, was the talk of the town. The dainty little soubrette, Miss Brown, was there with the goods. They are all in a hurry to get The Freeman every Saturday. J. C. Dollar, manager, and L. J. Carter, proprietor, wear that loving smile, owing to the good business.

NEW YORK NEWS.

(By the Owl.)

Lincoln Theater.

Miss Ethel Candwell opened the bill, going nicely. Williams and Mark went big. Edie Rector received his share o fthe applause. Nichels and Logan, the name alone is the answer for the success they are having throughout the East. Last half, Bob Condon, very good. Mattie Harris was very pleasing in her classic songs, which brought for her rounds of applause. Gray and Broadenax, a very funny act, made themselves favorites here. Then DeLyons and &effries, it seemed tried themselves. This was another great act which we expect to see on the big time some day, if they will only stick together.

Lafayette Theater.

Rudolphy and Darree, in a sporting sketch, called the greatest novelty of the day, was a big success. The Four Tango Dancers, the latest sensation of Paris, "10, 40—West," a comedy-drama playlet, was another big hit. Muriel Ringgold, character comedienne, and one we all knew well years ago, was a tremendous big success, notwithstanding she suffered with a severe cold the better part of the week, but being a game little woman she worked just the same and pleased the many hundreds that visited each performance. Then Siegman and Warner, a comedy piano act, good. The last half, Alco and Mitchell, on account of a serious accident, did not appear. At the last moment Bennett and Marcello, comedy acrobats, were engaged, and they did a great act. Following them the Hillmans, two clever colored entertainers. They sing, talk, dance and act well. Blue Cloud and company in thrilling memories of former days, interested every one. Muriel Ringgold was engaged for the week and was as big a card the last half as she was the first. Texico, sensation of the day, caught them big. This closed the show.

Crescent Theater.

Leonce Lazo did well here. Washburn and Piper went nicely. Four Furny Dixons went big. Last half, Henry Neilson and his violin pleased. Fribie, the champion glass eater, appeared and asked if any one in the audience had brought a glass with them, as he would eat it, showing that there was no trickery attached to his work. The exhibition given by him was great. Lelia B. Mitchell's Five Mitchells were a big thing for the last four days. She should be proud of this act.

Fifty-Ninth Street Theater.

Chinest Walker went nicely here. J. Johnson did well. Johnson and Britton did a real nice act, and the pictures were very good.

Family Theater.

The Chicago Trio opened this bill and went very good. The trio consists of two ladies and a gentleman. They arrived a few days prior to their opening at the Family theater, from Canada, off the Griffen time. Fleming and Allen went big. Washburn and Piper did nicely. Nicholas and Logan again cleaned up. The entire week's bill was good.

Pioneer Theater.

Gray and Gray, eccentric dancers and singers, did fairly well. Gains and Davis, comedy singing and talking, act went big. Bougia and Livingston, character change artists, did well. Walker and Keyes went big here. They will do well and soon become a great act if they will only stick together.

Atlantic City—Palace Theater.

The Griffin Sisters headed the bill all week here and went big. The three Dancing Imps scored big. Browney went nicely. Last half, Griffin Sisters went nicely. Mr. Frank Williams caught the audience nicely with his work, and Browney again did well. This week, Williams and Stevens are heading the bill.

Harry Brown's Southland Jubilee Stock Company at the Lafayette Theater.

Harry Brown's Southland Stock Company, headed by Muriel Ringgold, DeLions and Jeffries, opened Monday at the Lafayette theater for a run. Other members of the company are Mattie Harris, Madam Freeman, Maud Jones, Lulu Brown, Annie Worlds, Sallie Cook, Miss Farrier, Katie Crippen, Hoss Crawford, Jim Gray and Jimmie Worlds.

Montgomery and McClain have a bunch of contracts. They opened Sunday, August 10, at Keith's 125th street house. Keith's, Boston, week of August 11; week of August 18, Howard theater, Boston, Mass.

The Claybrooks, McKissie, Martin and Winfry and a number of others have gotten together a company called the Georgia Troubadours, and opened for the week at Jersey City, at the Central theater. The show was good and drew large crowds and the boys made some money. Their next stand we have not as yet been informed of.

Prof. Scot Joplin, the rag time king, has completed a deal with Manager Nibur, for the production of his opera, Freemonisha," to appear at the Lafayette theater the latter part of September or the first of October. Hiss address is 252 West 47th street. Can use good singers, but state the voice you sing. This opera company will number thirty.

AT THE NEW CROWN GARDEN.

Tim E. Owsley, Prop.

Not much need be said by way of the foreword for this week's bill at the Crown Garden. It's a good one, clean cut; four splendid acts. Tim, the wizard, is keeping up the good work, maintaining the reputation of the Crown Garden theater as the house of good shows.

Margie Crosby, the Girl with a Jew Face.

The girl with a Jewish face is a reality. And she's good to see—a finished performer. She enters singing "Ephram Jones," which is done with dash and pleasing movement. She comes back with "In My Harem," done in a Yiddish—a Hebrew impersonation. She shines here as a performer, doing the stunt equal to similar work seen on the best stages. Miss Crosby does "Ghost of the Violin" in her own way, giving a beautiful dramatic song recital. She does a bit of first class monologue, proving quite a comedienne. She is jolly, full of fun. In fact there is no better single lady performer on the stage. She was formerly of Scott and Crosby. Her wardrobe is good and appropriate.

Goodloe and Delk.

The members of this team are well known to Crown Garden patrons. Our John Goodloe still brimming full of fun, with a laugh that makes you laugh and a cry that makes you laugh also. Tootsy Delk, the handsome appearing partner, does a male character, doing straight. She makes a splendid looking fellow, all in white, head to foot—dressed in the latest style. The running talk between them is good, full of wit and humor. John can't be anything else than fun. Miss Delk wins in her neat, artistic dancing. They do a soldier stunt that keeps the house roaring all the time. Goodloe here maintains his reputation as a comedian. Miss Delk helps the fun by her pleasing straight work. At the finale they do a college boy stunt. Goodloe goes through some military tactics accompanied by Miss Delk's singing. The team pleases from start to finish.

They sing "Bumble Bee" with voices notable for harmony. Goodloe is a splendid basso.

Criswell and Bailey.

Ora Criswell and Laura Bailey will long be remembered at the Crown Garden. The (male) comedians have had the go as a rule, but Miss Criswell easily proved that she ranks with the best of them. She is a black face comedian and worthy of the title. Her work is new, novel, having nothing to do with set forms. Her partner, Miss Bailey, is a good straight. She is full of life. She enters the spirit of the fun. They do a little skit. Miss Bailey advertises for a lady to do a leading part in a theatrical company. Miss Criswell answers, making the mistake in thinking a domestic was wanted. After a little rapid firing talk between them, which is full of wit and humor. Miss Bailey discovers that the odd looking applicant has some ability and will just suit. She sends her away to fix up. When Miss Criswell comes back she is Manners—dressed in the best and looking good even if as black as coal. She does some steps and movements which set the audience wild. The two share in the honors. They are actually compelled to respond after the curtain is supposed to be down for good. To say they go big is to put it mildly. Their songs are "Midnight Choo Choo," a talking parody, sung by Miss Criswell; "Beautiful Dreams," by Miss Bailey; "Million Dollar Bill," sang by both. These songs are put over in good style.

Chenault and Martin.

Lawrence Chenault and Daisy Martin. This classy team is that, classy. The work of Miss Martin is particularly good. Her recitative, "Stole My Loving Man Away," is as pretty as may well be imagined. She gives full play to her spirit making a most pleasing stage figure. Her steps and movements are airy and graceful. Mr. Chenault is a well-known performer. His Italian impersonation is good. He has a splendid singing voice, lacking perhaps in soul quality. Their wardrobes are good. Their dancing is notable.

ELMORE MERRIWEATHER.

Elmer Merriweather fells strong enough to be able to be out again, after spending several weeks at the Fresh Air Mission camp, Indianapolis. He is a well-known performer, a good monologuist and character man. He is now open for engagements. Address Crown Garden theater, Indianapolis.

NOTES FROM WOLFSCALE'S BAND AND MINSTRELS

Barnum and Bailey, greatest show on earth. At this writing everyone is enjoying best of health and happy. Prof. Wolfscale and wife and Princess Wee Wee, the doll lady, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Powers while in Winnipeg, Canada. Mr. Powers is a rich real estate man of that city, and his wife was formally a grand opera singer, graduuting from a Boston conservatory. They went automobiling after the side-show was over, visiting the Sells-Floto circus, for mthere they went to the beautiful residence of the Powers where they were given a swell supper. After the side-show was over the members of Wolpscale's Band visited the Sells-Floto show of whom we had day and date, opposition with, although they had no colored band. We were entertained by the great Princess Mungo, who was easily the feature of the show. Jackson, the South African and comedy mule rides, who has been with the Barnum and Bailey show for years, but who has been with the Sells-Floto the past season, left that show to come back home. Prof. Wolfscale and Co. send their best regards to L. K. Baker, W. Nash and Co. of the 101 Ranch. Jas. Harris and Co. of Gollman Show and Prof. Adams and John Eason of the Frank A. Robbins Show. The band this season is up to its standard, it has fourteen pieces, and is the talk of every town. we show in. J. Ed. Hunn and his Minstril first part are pleasing the public daily, featuring Master Willie Brown, with his eccentric dancing and Earl Terry who is feautring "You Certainly Look Good to Me." Roy Wolpscale sends his best regards to the New Booker Washington Theater orchestra. Dink Coperedge, Miss Heath, Steve Adams, Tom Tolliver and Sammy Whiteside. Earl Sevey sends regards to Frank Washington and Will Nash of 101 Ranch Show. Lewis Ford sends his best regards to Archie Granl, of the Alabama Minstril.

EASTERN THEATRICAL NOTES.

(By Billy E. Jones.)

Buddy Gilmore is now busy rehearsing his act of fifteen people, to open in September on the United time.

Arthur Ray left New York to join the Ten Dark Knights, which open in Chicago August 17.

Scott Joplins Ragtime Opera Freemonisha Company will appear at the Lafayette theater, New York, this season.

Charles Bougia and wife went well at the Pioneer theater, New York. This act is meeting with success everywhere they appear. Owing to their success in vaudeville, they should have little trouble in making good on any bill.

Jines and Hill week of August 18 at Norfolk, Va.

The crowds continue to enjoy the stock company at Whittakers Casino, Carnarsie, N. Y., under the management of Walter Robison.

The Brooklyn Serenaders with Billy E. Jones will open the season September 15 at Douglass Auditorium, Orange, N. J.

Billy E. Jones, the baritone, will introduce the big song hits at the reception of the Elmwood Club at the Douglass Auditorium, Orange, N. J.

Frank Montgomery and Florence McClain, the stars of musical comedy, open for eight weeks on the big time at Keiths in Boston Monday. They scored a big success. Weew of August 18 at Howard theater, Boston, Mass. Week of August 25 at Beacon theater, Boston.

The Elmwood Club will make it the greatest event of the season, September 15, when it gives its reception and vaudeville at the Douglass Auditorium, Orange, N. J. Music will be furnished by the New Amsterdam orchestra, of New York. A goodly number of vaudeville acts are booked to open the season.

Percy Harris, the droll comedian, appeared at the Lafayette theater recently and scored a big success in his monologue.

Want a girl singer and dancer to join the Brooklyn Serenaders, to open September 15. Address Billy E. Jones, 118 Lawrence street, Brooklyn. Would like to state that this a smal lact, and the terms are to share equal. We play east and west, white houses exclusively, with the exception of a few big colored houses. Loura Brown, please write again.

Mrs. R. W. Thompson arrived in Brooklyn after a delightful vacation and sends regards to Mrs. Williams, Billy E. Jones, Miss Marie Logan, Mme. Catherine Simmons and Miss E. Hamilton and others.

It is proposed to open up a stock company at the Lafayette theater, New York, again, and we hope it will be a big success from a financial and business standpoint.

BOOKER WASHINGTON THEATER.

(By Walter S. Fearance, 2922 Laclede St., St. Louis, Mo.)

Act 1.—The Green Trio, in Fun, Frolic and Foolishness, arrived in our midst and took the audience by storm. The act was opened by the trio singing "Going Back to Carolina," which went big. This was followed by the hit of the evening, "Million Dollar Doll," one of the latest song hits on the market, by Maurice Abrahams Music Company, of New York. This song was specially featured by Miss Green and Mr. Green, both receiving the thunderous applause of the jammed house. They were recalled several times. This was followed by Pough singing "Thats Why They Call Me Shine," scoring instant success with his funny antics and eccentric steps. "When I Lost You," by Green, went big. "Ghost of the Violin" closed this excellent act.

Act 2.—Original Rags, called the emperor of extemporaneous song, defended his title in grand style, and scored a knockout. He is some monologuist and is worth walking out of your way to hear. "Somebody Else Is Getting It,' as put over by Rags, was a scream. Then followed a line of his tourist tales that kept the well-filled house in a constant uproar.

Act 3.—The Royal Hawaiian Duo, composed of Mme. Rosela Tyler and Mr. Gerwood, rendered selections from grand opera that were a treat to everybody who loves good music. Mme. Tyler's voice seems to be better, if that is possible, than on her last visit. "Garden of My Heart," as rendered by the duo, went big and brought expressions of delight and surprise from the audience. "The Enchantress," as rendered by Mme. Tyler, gave the audience a glimpse of the wonderful manner and control she has over that superb voice. "You Are Like the Young Apple Blossom Is to the Old Apple Tree," by Gerwood, won well-merited applause. A selection from "Miserere" closed the act, the audience clapping and cheering with delight.

ROUTE.

PROF. P. G. YOWERY'S CO.—With Hagenbeck-Wallace shows.—Indianapolis, Aug. 18; Brazil, 19; Greencastle, 20; Bloomington, 21; Bedford, 22; Washington, 23.

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Campbell, W. P.
Crosby, Frank
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Carter, Paul W.
Davis, Fred
Damon, Prof.
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Douglass, Edward
Elliott, Foy
English, Chas.
Fidler, Harry
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Graham, Moses
Green, E. O.
Hull, D. R.
Herndon, Coy
Harper, Leonard
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Jones and Jones
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Kennedy, Thos.
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Kennedy, Sam
Lowery, Vance
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Milner, Eddie
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Can place good trombone player at once. Performers also write. Would like to hear Jeff Webb (Airship) and Lew Wiley. Write
Dana Thompson
Columbus, Mississippi

GOSSIP OF THE STAGE
MUSIC

The Big Jubilee Minstrels have closed. Will open with the Tennessee-Alabama Fair Association under a big top. Livingston Mayes is owner and manager.

Mrs. R. O. Henderson, of Chicago, was a very pleasant visitor on Chas. Geyer's Dixie Minstrels for one week, with her husband, R. O. Henderson, bass player.

Sunny Dixie Minstrels still in South Carolina, playing baseball in the afternoon and exhibiting their master minstrel production at night. Will be in Salisbury, N. C., August 9. Everybody well.

Laura Smith will leave St. Louis after a three weeks' stay and play throughout Texas, as she has never played in this section of the country before. Regards to all friends. Ed Daniels, don't go too fast.

Little Johnnie Sawyer, Birmingham's favorite trap drummer, and James Lyons, pianist, are at the Champion theater, and want to hear from all friends. Address 812 North 18th street, care Champion theater, Birmingham, Ala.

Margie Crosby, after a successful week at the Monogram, Chicago, is at the Crown Garden, Indianapolis, this week. She was the only single on the bill. Met her brother, Harry Crosby, in Chicago, after an absence of two years. She sends regards to Ella Goodloe.

NOTES FROM HERBERT LA SHE'S SIX JOLLY GEORGIA COON SHOUTERS.

We are on our tenth week on the Harry Guy time and play all return dates in Ictober. Show giving best of satisfaction. The company is now composed of H. La She, manager; Jakie Brown, the Greens, Eddie and Ella; Miss Rose Scott and Hayde Wesley. Miss Scott has a beautiful voice and is meeting with big success, singing "Goodby Rose" and "Trail of the Lonsome Pine." I feel proud of my show, as it is the best little show I ever had. Regards to friends.

ABOARD A. G. ALLEN'S PRIVATE CAR 999.

Aboard A. G. Allen's private car, 999, P. L. Jenkins writes from Shawnee, Okla.:

We are still in Oklahoma and everybody is well with the single exception of Prof. McCammon, who is slightly ill.

Mr. Mose McQuitty, our bass player, is on a ten days' visit to Kansas City, Mo.

Mr. Clifford D. Brooks, tenor vocalist, is scouring nightly singing that great hit, "Good Bye Boys." Mr. W. W. Davis continues hitting them hard singing "Elizabeth Ann."

Mr. Graves, our Chandelier man, is outdoing all previous efforts and one peep in our tent at night will make one think Old Sol was there solely for our benefit.

THE SMART SET BALL CLUB LOSES AT SHREVEPORT, LA.

The Smart Set baseball club had its winning streak broken by the Black Buffaloes, of Houston, Texas, in the last series. The boys from the Lone Star state, under the efficient leadership of Captain Dave Johnson, put up a splendid article of ball and played each game for all its merits.

The Smart Set's line-up is in a crippled condition, but they still display flashes oı ginger.

On Sunday the Buffaloes took both of the games of a double-header, the first game being a ten-inning pitchers' battle between Kid Brooks for Houston and the invincible Compton (southpaw) for the Shreveport players. Houston won out in the tenth inning.

Score: First game, Houston, 6; Shreveport, 3. Second game, Houston, 11, and Shreveport, 6.

COMING TO INDIANAPOLIS SOON.

P. G. Lowery and his company will be the attraction in the annex with the great Hagenbeck and Wallace show, August 18. After following all of the tent shows into Indianapolis it will be easily observed that Lowery carries the best band, orchestra and minstrel show of any on the road. P. G. writes us he has the most congenial company he has ever had. The company is larger and better than ever. We opened with eighteen performers and musicians and not a single change has been made. The roster of the company is as follows: P. G. Lowery, band director and general manager; A. Victor, orchestra leader, and A. A. Wright, stage manager, surrounded by the following talent: Thomas May, J. Bryant, Horace Eubanks, J. E. Edwards, A. Fredricks, Earl Grandstaff, Jewell Johnson, Wm. May, Tommy Barfield, Mack Carter, William Hay, Slow Kid, Callie Vassar, Hattie Edwards, and the little Indianapolis favorite, Carrie Gilbert.

THE ALABAMA MINSTRELS.

After gobbling lots of dough in Minnesota we are no wheaded for the wilderness of Canada, the place that show men call God's country. Some of our first season tourists are eagerly waiting for the time to come when they can hear the orchestra play "God Save the King," and just to think a few weeks later the same orchestra will be rendering Bam's ever-popular national air—"Dixie" ha! ha!! what a funny fish a frog is. New scenery arrived yesterday from Estherville, Iowa. Now the first part is a beauty. Our manager, Mr. Erickson, believes in keeping money in circulation. They new costumes are being made in Montreal, Que. Archie Grant, a very clever young comedian, closed with the show at Crookston, Minn. Ulysses Everly, a trombonist, joined recently and adds much assistance to the bass section. The truth hurts sometimes but I must tell this this one. Our baseball team ran up against a pretty tough proposition last Wednesday at Park River, Minn., and the score was as follows:

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THE PEKIN THEATER MONTGOMERY, ALA.

Stovall and Stovall opened at the Pekin theater, Montgomery, Ala., and held their own by drawing large crowds each night. Mrs. Nina Stovall sang Mr. W. M. Stovall's latest song, "A Mother's Love Is Different From All the Rest," and stopped the show, as usual.

The Stovalls have been asked by several astern managers to come back east, but Mr. Stovall says the southern managers have treated them mighty nice.

J. H. Williams, of the team of Williams and Rajor, is by himself again, working single at the Pekin theater, Montgomery, Ala., doing nicely. Who said Williams could not make it?

Porter and Porter, Willie and Buster, are expected to play their home town again. Their many friends will be glad to see them.

Mr. Julius Dryfus, the manager of the Pekin theater, Montgomery, Ala., is building a new theater in Selma, Ala., which will open about September 1 or 8. Mr. Dryfus says he will run moving pictures and high-class vaudeville.

Kid Love, of the team of Love and Love, who has been very sick in Atlanta, Ga., for some time, is the subject of inquiry among his friends, who would like to know how he is getting along. Anyone knowing of his condition, please write to the Freeman, and oblige his many friends.

101 RANCH WILD WEST NOTES.

(By Sam Ford.)

We are in Wisconsin and have played old Milwaukee and packed them in Sunday and Monday and now we have turned toward the Sunny South after Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio, then old Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, and then East to Louisiana, Alabama, Fliroda, Mississippi, and the rest. The show will close in the early part of December, 'tis said and then the two car minstrels and by the way one car was purchased Monday from the Pullman company of Chicago, so now we know it's a go. A new $75 trombone was received by Frank Washington from C. G. Conn, of Elkhart, Ind., also a $80 melophone, by Chas. Bunn, also from Conn, in Milwaukee, and when our band lines up out in front we have some band. All new modern silver instruments, two melophones, two trombones, three cornets, one clarinet, all from Conn and one tuba, one drum from York and the management all smiles and swearing that we are teh best best colored band in circusdom. Well we are certainly setting the pace for all twelve-piece bands in the profession. All send regards. James Mitchell wants to hear from Whit Vinney. We celebrated Earnest Williams' birthday last night, the 5th. They say now that someone gloomed the bunch. It lays between L. K. Baker, M. Casey and Sam Ford, all members of the Old Men's Club. This makes the second birthday we have celebrated this season. The other was our genial leader and manager, Mr. L. K. Baker, who gave the boys a blowout. Well there is a double one coming in a few days and I expect we will miss the train. Mr. John Smith the groom with Winona, the Indian princess, blossomed out in a new fall suit and looked very swell in Milwaukee, and declares that he will spend the winter in Venice, Cal., regardless of the many sighs from Winfield, Kan., and Harrisburg, Pa. John is a sly dog all right.

SUNNY DIXIE NOTES.

Sunny Dixie Minstrels are still playing North and South Carolina, doing excellent business.

Our band is causing much comment in all the places visited, making a hit in ever yconcert.

B. F. Deleo sends regards to A. C. Barrow and Grant Cooper, with the Geyer's Dandy Dixie Minstrels; also wishes to notify Arthur Cox that we played Sumter, S. C. Our nine-piece orchestra is cleaning up, and causes one to feel as if in dreamland.

Sunny Dixie bunch sends regards to James Picket, with Huntington Minstrels; also Wm. Bryant, with Yankee Robinson circus. Why don't you write, boys

Raymond Latimore sends regards to his friends.

Our band consists of B. F. Deleo, solo cornet; Junius Lathan, first cornet; John L. Jones, second cornet; Raymond Latimore, first clarinet; James Burkes, second clarinet; Roscoe Jackson, first alto; Henry Brukes, second alto; George Israel, first trombone; Dock Taylor, second trombone; Wallace Bailey, first trombone; Clarence Everett, first baritone; Mart Davis, second baritone; I. W. Stewart, tuba; J. W. Wright, snare drummer; Wm. McCay, bass drummer; H. Cabbage Johnson, drum major.

The Sunny Dixie crew sends regards to all in the profession.

Our baseball team has played twelve games this season, making a sweeping record, with J. W. Wright, manager; Doc Taylor, captain and McCay, the famous twirler.

In a few days we shall cross the Mississippi, bound for the western states. Farewell to the Carolinas.

SPECIAL STAGE REVIEW.

Tabloid Opera and Cabaret Features Come Into Play—New Booking Alliance—Colored Moving Pictures and Tuskegee Band—All Materialize.

(Written Exclusively for The Freeman By Sylvester Russell.)

CHICAGO, Ill.—Primary authority, like a discredited oracle of the earth, has again assumed the analytic duty of decorating the chariot of modern progress. Having lived through the mediaeval ages of Thespian glory I legibly continue as a dapple gray, well groomed and harnessed, willing to pull through the miry way with such wise discretion that younger horses tremble with fear to travel where I were wont to tread. Tragedy and melo-drama has been cast aside. Musical comedy has been eliminated to a degree that is vast in common with former days. Grand opera has been reduced to tabloids and colored classical singers should take to them. Cabarets have come. They are the very roguery of art, more stylish than ornamental. Miller and Lyles were the first young actors to produce and show their academic and musical value to aristocratic colored audiences at the Grand theater. Those, besides the two young stars, who played their parts well, were Monroe Tabor, Fred Green, Lizzie Wallace, Ethel James, Cora Green, Arthur Malone and others. Just what we shall have next in stage performances is hard to surmise. Oliver Morosco has told us that the next thing in drama will be the depicting of real life as we see it now, and goodness knows that people grow more silly every day. The now well-known established craze for moving pictures has caused real drama to lose its charm and managers to curtail expenses.

Foster's Colored Moving Pictures.

The greatest thing that happened on the Stroll recently was the first appearance of William Foster's genuine Negro moving pictures. By arrangement with Manager Duke Brennan and Miles Bish, the operator, they were presented at the Grand theater and took the house by storm. The theater was crowded. The one thing of interest was the parade of the Y. M. C. A. on dedication day. Different well-known figures recognized in the street parade were vociferously applauded, much to the delight of all. Mr. Foster is the writer, formerly known as Juli Jones, Jr., and his authority and experience in this and other direct lines of the show and sporting business is well known. That his initial effort was a popular one, speaks volumes for his chances for success in the future operations of the Foster Moving Picture Company. And this new event should be kept in mind by all managers of colored picture houses, as new photo play comedy stories are quickly to follow.

Tuskegee Band's Introduction.

The advent of Tuskegee Institute band, which had been so long heralded and which drew over 4,000 people to the big Seventh Regiment Armory, was a flattering tribute to the life work of Dr. Booker T. Washington, and the popular interest manifested in the band as a prototype record of the great institute. The glorious flotila challenged in battle like ocean waves in summer time. Prof. N. Clark Smith was the conductor-leader. Not that he is any more of a scholar than some of the band leaders I knew in the palmy days of minstrelsy, but because of the prominence of his position, which gives his a reputation, will his work be reviewed. To speak in flattery of the band is to praise Mr. Smith for having taught them all he knew to add to the credit of himself and the organization, regardless of some technicalities of imperfection which it has taken the white race years of fundamental study and practice to overcome. But the band was actually good. Prof. Smith, who has a nervous intensity, has taught the band the thrilling climax of expediency rather than the embellishment of method and art in attacks that can be so easily overdrawn. I was delightfully impressed with the overture of William Tell, despite its little faulty ursurps and passages, but it is distinctly a Clark Smith band of good intelligent real musicians, atoning for what their leader has not yet accomplished in the higher course of training, a good verdict for an instructor, according to conditions in a proportionate field of work. Anita Patti Brown was an unexpected soloist and the Tuskegee Glee Club, which has two falsetto voices, made good harmony. Better local management should be imported by purveyors of these monster entertainments in big cities.

The New Booking Alliance.

The new Colored Consolidated Booking Alliance, which recently opened its office on State street, with Klein, Dudley and Owsley as its chief executives, will be a good thing for actors, providing they are apt enough to develop their brain power according to tradition. The substance of their success in handling actors must be traditional. It will be their duty to pay good actors, who are popular drawing cards, the highest limit of salary available. That which does not profit the weaker end of the human family by the strong, who for the sake of riches, are far too greedy, would not profit managers in the long end, through life.

Actors have grievances which they give to the strongest arm of the press. In Chicago real star drawing cards have complained of a cut in their salary, which should not be done in a big city, simply because they are booked for the circuit. The "Frogs" is a pleasure crib and the C. V. B. A. seems to be as yet too weak for substantial extension, and organization would be the only means for actors to combat. When actors arrive from the South they complain that their contracts were ignored and their salaries cut, substantiated by the outlaw protection of a free country. Now in the fact of starvation the managers of the South must be implored upon to treat performers with human consideration. The performers must report everything and if the condition does not speedily grow better actors will be foolish to book South at all. I speak in great faith of the managers of the South and feel confident that their future attitude toward actors will be creditable. In speaking of the alliance it is very important that S. H. Dudley give the question of good salaries to drawing cards who book South over the circuit due consideration for impartial reasons. Manager Martin Klein has denied my report given out recently in a local newspaper that Henry B. Miller, proprietor of the Monogram, is behind the Klein end of the alliance. Mr. Miller is one of the richest theatrical men on State street, and Klein i his brother-in-law. Both are Jewish. Where once they were green, they are fast gaining knowledge by experience and judicious prudence.

J. M. BUSBY'S MINSTRELS.

John W. Demirs writes from Faulkton, S. D.:

We are still in South Dakota, doing a capacity business nightly.

The band under the leadership of Prof. William Timmons is still the talk of the town after our gorgeous noonday parade.

Mr. Simon Jones, comedian for the past three years, is taking a much-needed rest in Omaha.

"Let's Make Love While the Moon Shines" is featured by Miss Willie Venerable.

"Take Me to That Suwanee Shore" is put over with credit by Eddie Lemons.

Miss May Armstrong is singing "I'm the Lonesomest Girl in Town."

Mrs. Evelyn Spikes is quite a creditable addition to the first part, singing "Sweety Sweet."

The phenomenal basso, Major Daniels, is a scream.

Miss Effie Moore, leading lady of the Busby Minstrels for the past four years, is just recovering from an operation she underwent in Kansas City, and we hope to have her with us again soon.

Mr. Doc Ward is as funny as ever.

Miss Mary Lou Scely is featuring "In the Lonesome Pines of Virginia."

Mr. Charles Smith, our stage manager, is all smiles.

Our saxaphone quartet is pleasing and is a musical treat.

Would like to hear from a No. 1 cornet player and also a trombone player.

Regards to the profession.

HONOLULU, H. I.

Just a line to say that we are still in the south seas, doing nicely. We still have our little company. Everyone is in the best of health.

Just returned from New Zealand, and are now playing the Twenty-fifth Infantry Amusement Hall at Schofield Barracks, Oahu. Will sail for Shanghai, China, on August 22 for the Syndicate de La Orient, playing Shanghai, Hong Kong, Tiensin and Manilla; each place six weeks.

We get the "Old Reliable" regularly from the agent here, so we know everything about the profession in the States.

Regards to everybody.

My best to Tim Owsley at the Crown Garden. Tell him I see by the papers—He might drop me a letter for old time's sake.

Well, we still play the Ofay House "Cause." No prejudice exists in these lands. Everybody is the same. No line, except and fishing and clothes lines. It is summer always, so we save wood, coal, overcoats, etc, and avoid snow, ice, freezing and heavy underwear; live where the flowers, birds and waving palms look and sing the 365 days of the year. We bathe in the ocean twelve months per annum.

Well, best of luck and continued success for the Freeman.

I had a stroke of goodnes-knows-what when I saw the $1 per year ad.

Yours ever,
HEN AND KATIE WISE.

All letters to Apollo theater, Shanghai, China.

NOTES FROM THE RABBIT FOOT COMPANY.

F. S. Wolcott, Manager

We are now in West Virginia, and our business is great, playing to S. R. O. each night. Mr. Dumas, our favorite comedian, never fails to get 'em when he sings "Satisfied" and "Lockhart," with his own composition, "Soft Black."

Our band, under Prof. Williams, features the noonday parade with its high-class selections.

Mr. Tuba Thomas has just received his new Conn tuba and is very proud of it.

Mr. Ralph Redmond, our trombone soloist, received his saxaphone a few days ago. He sends his best regards to his many friends.

Freddie Pratt, trombone player, joined us at Lynchburg, Va., and says hello to Teddyq Remond and Thomas Ramsey.

Billy Moore, trombone player and comedian, is also with the Rabbit Foot Company and is doing the comedy with Prof. Williams in a musical act which is a real scream. He sends best regards to the Alabama Minstrels and bunch.

The Marvelous LaVola, slack wire king, is the feature attraction with the F. S. Wolcott Rabbit Foot Company. He is without doubt the greatest slack wire artist in the business. He says hello to Goff, Kennedy and Baynard.

The bunch sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession.

ALABAMA MINSTRELS.

S. R. O. in wild Montana,
That's the place to take a show.
Packed 'em in in North Dakota;
Ain't we doin' it—watch us grow.

This is indeed a lucky show; had two weeks of rain. Every day at noon the rain would cease long enough for the parade, then start again, rain until 7:30 which is band concert time; stop again until the crowd was comfortably seated, then start again and cause the entire audience to purchase tickets for the concert. The show can be truthfully termed a "get-rich- quick aggregation." The manager is not at all superstitious; doesn't believe in the number thirteen being a Jonah or whistling in dressing rooms or playing "Nearer My God, To Thee" on instruments and singing the blues, eating peanuts, etc., like the old-timers preach. Mr. Erickson seems to be a happy-go-lucky kind of a fellow. Even the two cars are painted yellow, Nos. 7 and 11. The chef's wife has a yellow cat for a pet. Now with such good luck as this show is playing one can readily be convinced by the above things that signs (as we call them) are nothing more than plai neveryday fogyisms. We have two baseball teams, the Alabama Grays and the All-Nations. The two teams will play a series of five games, beginning August 3. Both clubs have an open challenge to any minstrel or circus team for any amount.

FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE WORLD—MAKING GOOD IN AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND.

Just a line to let you know what we are doing on this side of the world. As you know we came over here with the Hugo Bros.' Minstrels, under the leadership of our famous old artist, Billy Kersands, but for the same reasons that caused Bill and his wife to return to their home prompted us to leave the show. The show was good, but had no management. The would-be manager absconded with a very full purse and left the bunch to their own resources, which I am glad to say turned out for the best, for the boys are handling the show on their own accord and are making money. We are not with them, as we are doing much bette rin vaudeville.

This is our twenty-first week on the Brennan-Fuller time, a circuit of twenty-two houses, covering Australia and New Zealand. We have become so popular that the firm wants us indefinitely.

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We contemplate going to England from here, as we have an excellent offer from that side, but we fear we won't be able to get away from these people under a year.

Kindly give my regards through your columns to Bert Williams, the protege of the "hog man;" Sylvester Russell, Will Bowman and all friends in and out of the profession.

In my next letter I shall give you the real dope on "White Australia" and its meaning.

With best wishes to all, I am,

Yours respectfully,
BILLY C. BROWN.
Comedian with Era Comedy Four.

101 RANCH REAL WILD WEST.

(By Sam Ford)

Well, at last, the dope is out. The winter show is sure to be launched, managed and financed by Mr. George Tipton, at one time manager and owner of the Hi Henry Minstrels, Tipton's Mammoth Double Uncle Tom's Cabin Company and a big rural play that I can't remember the name of just now, and other road shows and musical enterprises. He is a man who has had a world of experience in the show business and knows it from A to Z. This is no stake and chain talk. I have it direct from him myself, and he tells me that it is sure to happen. He has the whole thing doped out—billing matter, route and all—and is just waiting for the closing of the white tops.

The show is to be a big colored musical extravaganza by the name of "Derby Day in Dixie." He will carry about twenty-six or twenty-eight colored musicians and performers, six ladies, two traps, two snow-white Arabian stallions purchased from Mr. J. C. Miller, and two Pullman sleepers purchased from Mr. Eddie Arlington. Taking it all in all, it is going to be a very swell affair.

Now we all know that this is the kind of dope that is handed out from the beginning of the circus season until the close of the same, but this is an assured thing, for he has already begun to make arrangements for the tour and is spending money right and left; so it is a sure go.

Prof. L. K. Baker will have the band, and he would like to hear from Smalley Moore and Charlie Cox.

Mr. Henry White has a new monster E-flat tuba, and Will Nash has a new trombone, which they purchased while at Grand Rapids. Frank Washington has ordered a Conn trombone, and Charles Brown a metaphone from the same maker. When these arrive there will be seven Conn instruments, three Yorks, one Pepper and one Duplex drum. Mr. James Holmes has purchased a new drum and it is a fine one.

Punk says hello to Mayfield and wishes him to write.

We have been having some of the hottest weather of the season.

The season is over half gone, and if the boys are not booked for the winter, they had better commence to save some money for a rainy day.

Well, all the boys are well and happy and join me in sending regards to all friends in and out of the profession.

WHAT'S WHAT ON THE S. H. DUDLEY CIRCUIT.

Week of August 11, 1913.

Washington, D. C.—S. H. Dudley theater, Lew W. Henry, manager: John W. Cooper, Chase and Chase, Julian Radcliffe. Fairyland theater, Mr. Rhine, manager: Juniper and Carrington and four reels of special pictures. Chelsea theater, D. Gentry, manager: Seplman and Jones, five special pictures. Palace Airdome theater, Beverly and Adams, managers: King and Gee and five special pictures.

Richmond, Va.—Hippodrome theater: Three Dancing Imps (three girls), Lillard and Lillard, Alice Ramsey. Dixie theater, J. W. Coulter, manager: Frazier Brothers, Dancing Darrell.

Norfolk, Va.—Globe theater, J. Van Buskirk, manager: Stewart Brothers, Henderson and Henderson, Gertrude King.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Circle theater, Geo. Bundy, manager: Brown and Harris and four other big acts.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—Star theater, Abe Minsky, manager: Watts and Turner, Venerable and Owens.

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THE PASSING SHOW IN WASHINGTON.

(By Ar-W-Tee.)

Miss Berry Captures the Capital.

The stately queen of song, Miss Kittie Berry, is drawing packed houses nightly at Dudleys U Street theater this week. Miss Berry is a favorite here and the lovers of music of the capital are turning out en masse to give her a reception befitting her merits as a singer of quality. Besides possessing a voice of wide range, of resonant timbre, combined with sweetness and dramatic inspiration, she is a woman of striking personality, gracious demeanor and rare social accomplishments. Richly gowned and bearing herself as the true prima donna that she is, Miss Berry presents a stage picture that pleases the eye and leaves lasting impression upon all beholders. Her selections invariably abound in tender sentiment and gratify the ear by mellow intonation, intelligent interpretation and artistic shading of effective passages. Her rendition of "My Cavalier' and "The Garden of My Heart" this week left nothing to be desired. She may be persuaded to fill other engagements before resuming her tour to the northward. It will be an interesting surprise to Miss Berry's many Washington admirers to know that since her last visit here she has become a bride, having been led to the altar last April at Jacksonville, Fla., by Mr. George B. Hamilton, a wealthy and influential business man of that city. While Mr. Hamilton is directing a large commercial interprise in the state of North Carolina this summer Miss Berry (using her familiar stage name) yielded to the entreaties of a number of theatrical friends to fill a limited season of farewell engagements.

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On account of continued ill health, Mr. Frank Kearney has been compelled to retire from the management of the Fairyland theater, one of the best-paying play houses in the city, and one in which colored performers have always been given a square deal. Mr. Kearney was known all over the country as one of the most liberal managers in the business, and had justly earned a widespread popularity. It is understood that the Fairyland will pass into the hands, for the present, of the syndicate that operates the Gayety and other theaters in the District. The place offers a fine field for an enterprising colored manager.

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King and Gee are at Beverly & Adams' Palace Airdome this week, after a successful run of three weeks at the Fairyland.

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"The Frolic of the Frogs" at the Howward theater this week was a red letter event in the annals of Washington theatricals. A monster bill was presented, including suc hinternational topliners as Bert Williams, Aida Overton Walker, S. H. Dudley, the Porto Rican Girls with Maggie Davis and Louis Salsbury, the Sambo Girls with Edgar Connor and Cecile Mann and many others, up to fifty, of the cream of the colored vaudeville stage. The beautiful theater was packed from pit to dome and all the tickets were exhausted long before the hour for performance. A special train brought the visiting artists and a bunch of their friends down from New York, and many joined them at Philadelphia and Baltimore en route. Managers Thomas and Byars made every effort to have the occasion a gala one and spared no pains to see that everybody was cared for in a comfortable fashion.

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Simms and Thompson, the "De Luxe Duo," repeated their former triumphs at the Howard last week. Mr. Simms is funnier than ever and Mr. Thompson is a matinee idol who certainly looks good to the ladies, who always turn out in very large numbers whe nhe appears here. Filey and Blair, a marvelous pair of gymnasts, gave an entertaining exhibition on the flying rings, and C. Hannibal Coffey contributed same original blackface comedy. Miss Alice Ramsey, the statuesque premier danseuse of the Black Patti Troubadours, sang a bouquet of catchy songs and scored heavily by her agile terpsichorean specialties and wonderful high kicking.

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The Blue Mouse remains dark. This large and well appointed theater is another big opportunity to the right man. It is on the edge of Georgetown and has a clientele already established and which no other house can take away from it.

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Lylin Brown, the vivacious singer and impersonator, and William Demont, cartoonist and comedian, are in Savannah, Ga., and will spend another month on the southern circuit before returning home. They are enjoying a prosperous season in Dixieland.

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George J. Dawson's new and inviting composition, "Essence of the Dance" was featured by the Howard orchestra last week during the showing of a photoplay. It is a classy production and adds largely to Professor Dawson's reputation as a musical genius.

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Word comes that the Griffin Sisters are organizing a musical comedy company for the road. They are in New York City at present, booking their people. They ought to do well at the head of a company of high-class players, in a piece that will display their exceptional gifts as comediennes and singers.

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Jines and Hill and Jesse Brown were on Manager LeW Henry's well balanced bill last week. Mr. Jines has the biggest voice for a little man on the stage and his "Buckwheat Cakes" was a scream. Miss Hill is pretty and vivacious and puts over her songs effectively.

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S. Tutt Whitney is finishing the Smart Set's rehearsals in "The Wrong Mr. President" at Newport News, Va. He is confident that he has a winning show this season and intends to make the country sit up and take notice.

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The notion store and country store features are packing the Howard on Wednesday and Saturday nights. The gifts are worth while, and it is amusing to see the hollders of the winning tickets go forward and get what is coming to them. Mr. R. G. Byars is some storekeeper and has a cheery word for everybody.

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Bessie Brown, Johnny Woods and Little Henry, Stella Harris and others are underlined for an early appearance at Dudley's.

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Daniel Freeman, the expert photographer and president of the Washington Business League, made a fine set of photos for Miss Kittie Berry this week.

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Johnny Miller, "Oh, you drummer," is at the Hippodrome, Richmond, with Carroll's orchestra.

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Alleged comedians, who work off old gags, had better give Washington a wide berth. Managers and the public are tired of jokes that came on with Noah's ark, and they will not stand for any more of that "How you are going to act when you go to the party" stuff. A hint to the wise ought to be sufficient.

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Watts and Turner are one of the liveliest teams that has struck this city in a long time. Mr. Watts is really funny and Miss Turner is a soubret who can sing and act. They are fine in "You Made Me Love You," using it as a duet, and Miss Turner gets more out of "Oh, So Sweet" than anyone else who has put it on here.

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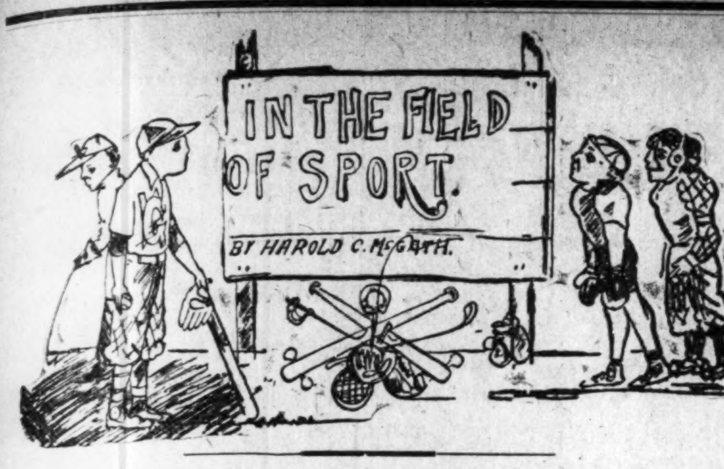
IN THE FIELD OF SPORT.
BY HAROLD C. McGRATH.

THAT ALL-NEWSPAPER MEN'S GAME

Man in Prison Wants to Know About It.

(By Billy Lewis.)

A few weeks ago a game of baseball was proposed in which only the colored newspaper men of Indianapolis were to take part. Everybody was up in arms for the game. Couldn't pull it off too soon, so they said. It was agreed that the men of the various offices would line up under the name of The Freeman and the Recorder. The game was advertised in a big way. Everything went lovely until the time set for the game drew near.

Up until within a few days of the game the fellows swaggered like so many brownies, declaring what they were going to do. The has-beens were testing their muscles. They pitched and they threw the ball. But somehow they were not inspired with the feeling that they could come back. After they had worked out they discovered rabbit in themselves, a tendency to run from the ball when they saw it coming, and full of speed. They were like MacBeth, who, for the life of him, could not screw his courage up to the sticking place.

Some twenty-four men were signed up for the two teams; this as a precaution against an exhaust by way of fatalities. We meant to have plenty of men on the benches awaiting the call. The Red Cross service was suggested but some thought that would encourage timidity. But timidity had already been encouraged. The very approaching date had done the work. It played havoc with the plans. Clarence Stewart, captain of the Recorder side, said that he had to take his vacation the week of the game. Elwood C. Knox, of The Freeman, found it necessary to go to St. Louis, to attend the opening of the Booker Washington theater. Tom Florence got sick. Charles Marshall got ——. One had taken a new wife. One had to go on a journey. It was too hot for big Gurley Brewer. Others found some excuse to be absent. So at the show down there were five Freeman's and two Recorder's on the scene.

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But the game had to go on. The Freeman had said so, and what you see in The Freeman is true. The game had been advertised, and in the interest of charity. A few of us had the feeling that it had to be played even if played alone. But baseball is one game you can't play alone. I, for once, was at my wits' end. I was captain. I could muster up enough outsiders, that is, people who were not newspaper people, to make out our nine. But how can we get seven more to make out the Recorder's lineup? Charley Marshall I said was ———, but he was extremely useful. He went on the outside of the park; he brought in a string of A. B. C. Juniors, more than we could use. For once I saw that a ——— man can be of more service than one not———.

This brings me down to the story proper. One Chas. Sometimer or Sometimes, as the very significant name may be, is in prison at Michigan City. Apparently he was very anxious to know about the outcome of the game. He wrote to The Freeman for information. I give his letter:

Michigan City, Ind., July 27, 1913.

Mr. Elwood C. Knox.

Dear Sir:—Just thought I would drop you a few lines in regard to your all-star newspaper men, baseball team, The Freeman and Recorder. I received a copy of The Freeman from a friend every week. Could not do without it, but I have failed to read in your paper about the winning team. Now, is it true that the Record put the XIO on The Freeman. If so I can find only one excused, that youngster, George Slaughter, just inclined to remain sweet sixteen. What's the secret, George? Have you discovered the fountain of everlasting youth? If so, will you not tell an old friend who is in bad need of it, what your secret is? Well, here's to you, George, may you live forever and never grow old.

I also read the name of another young man on The Freeman team that I remember as an ambitious young man when I was quite a smal lboy. I refer to Mr. Sherman Boon. Go to it, boys; I am hoping to leave here before long.

Wishing The Freeman, the best Negro paper in America, the only paper that brings all the news and touches every home of every loyal Negro in America, a long and prosperous life, I am, sincerely, your friend, CHAS. SOMETIMER, Box 41.

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The game was played after we had drafted nearly the whole outside. Charley Woods, the compositor of Danville, Ky., was pitcher for The Freeman. He was one of the few features. Woods is a very demon as a pitcher. He throws true and as a shot from a cannon. He bursted the first baseman's hand. Bandages, lint and so forth were called into requisition. Woods can knock down three Negro babies in succession. As long as he was pitching the Recorder had no show. But he got tired, turned over his job to one of the drafted boys, and we went down to the tune of 8 to 7. Maybe that's why we didn't care to tell of the game.

Slaughter was somewhat of a feature. He boasted that shortstop was his place until about the time of the game, when he concluded that deep center was where the chances were fewest. Two pretty flies came his way, but the grand old man miscalculated—he didn't touch 'em. But for all that, he played a stiff game, that is if you take effort into account.

Kennedy, formerly of the Zanesville Advocate, now of an Indianapolis publication distinguished himself at the bat. He played with the Recorders, in deep right field. His chief occupation was in marching to his post, then back again. I can't remember that a ball reached his field.

John Lewis, of the World, held down left field for the Recorder in good form. He had to take the captainship. Roberts, of the Recorders, got in late, but made good.

Charles Marshall was a feature. As said before he was ———. The occasion was his opportunity. He was at third base. But such an important post demanded that the ball be seen now and then, even in an all-newspaper men's game. He was noisy, so noisy that he was made coacher by unanimous consent. He coached for both sides.

As for me, I was distinguished by being forgotten in the batting a time or so. I made out the order, as it becomes a faithful captain, but the score keeper retired during the game to get a drink of water—or something. No one was modest when it came to batting, and so I had to be generous, permitting them to bat until they discovered that they had not seen me at the home plate for quite a time. Some one said, "It's Lewis' time to bat." It was not my time, according to the batting order, but I had to take advantage of the opportunity extended.

All's well that ends well. The spectators sat with commendable patience through the agony of seven innings. They enjoyed the efforts of the has-beens. The game was a success financially. The proceeds were turned over to Elmer Merriweather, a performer, who is a patient at the Fresh Air Mission camp in this city.

The pretty Miss Mabelle Smith, stenographer at The Freeman office, was in the ticket office.

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In speaking of Jack Johnson last week I said that Dante was recalled from his exilement. I meant that efforts were made to have him to return to Florence and resume his citizenship. He, however, refused, and in doing so, seemed to glory in his ability and opportunity to chastise the citizens that drove him from their midst.

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THE FRENCH LICK PLUTOS AT LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

The Flying Red Devils Are Still Mowing Them Down.

The French Lick Plutos, the flying "Red Devils," are still mowing down everything they meet. Only one club has been able to break even with them yet, that club being at Virginia, Minn. We won one and lost one in that city. Up to date, we have played thirty-five games on this trip and only lost five, a remarkable record. All of our pitchers are going at top speed, aside from playing every day and taking their turn every fourth day. Lynch has four shutouts to his credit; Gilliard, two and McLaughlin, one, his being a no-hit, no-run game at Nekoosa, Wis. Our boys are certainly playing big league ball and everywhere we go people ask us if we ever get beat and when we tell them that Virginia, Rice Lake and three other clubs won from us, they ask us what was we paid to lose the game. We have only ten men on the trip with us, and are playing every day. Manager Gordon is certainly there with the goods, when it comes to booking, and all of the boys are proud of him. He is a prince to work for and is playing a game at first that no one would think him capable of. Lynch and McLaughiln alternate between second, left field and the mound, and errors are as scarce as hen's teeth on their part. Scotland, our center fielder, had to leave us at Hibbing, Minn,. owing to the illness of his mother, but expects to rejoin us soon. Norman, who broke his leg in Madison, Wis., is back at his old station and playing the game of his life, even though he hap to hop around. Hannon is leading the bunch in hitting. Out of six trips to the plate today he garnered three singles, two doubles and one triple. Six times up six hits, and not only is he hitting today but every day he gets from two to three hits. Cunningham is today playing a game that has never been excelled, not even by Hans Wagner or Joe Tinker, going across second, knocking down hits and throwing his arm out is his daily task, aside from hitting the ball over every fence he gets to. He made a catch today that has never been excelled, if equalled. Little Old Tough Cobbs, as the boys call him, is doing all of the catching, and he cannot be praised too highly. The kid don't allow any one to take second on him, and is hitting good, way above the 300 mark. The triangle play is pulled every day by Cobbs, Norman and McLaughlin. Something some of these fans never saw before. Patton, the southpaw, with the hot weather has come into his own, and his spitball is working fine. Gilliard is standing these clubs on their head with his underhand delivery and is winning easily. Kenard, for the first time in his life, is playing outfield and let me say that the boy is taking care of everything that comes his way, even though Captain Noorman has to yell at him to come out of the water. Just think of a catcher playing outfield and then you will know what it is.

The Plutos are certainly run-getters, as today's contest will show. The score stood 8 to 4 against them in the eighth. Gordon led off with a single and every man up hit safely until the count stood 10 to 8 in our favor. The final score was Pluto's 13, Little Falls 8. This is undoubtedly the hardest town we have struck yet, playing for 60 and 40 per cent and against a salaried club. Naturally, they wanted the long end, and the umpire was instructed to give them same, and he didn't fail, but the Pluto's were too much for the boys and we won both games. We can truthfully say that we are treated white on our team b yeverybody except some of the umpires. But our bats make up for it and the five games that we lost were lost on the square. We have played eighty-seven games this season and lost twenty-eight and won fifty-nine, for a percentage of .678 for the season. We expect to arrive at French Lick September 9 to close the league season with the West Baden Sprudels. Best regards to all of our friends both in and out of our profession.

LANGFORD CAUSES UNREST.

Above the heavyweight division of American pugdom hangs a new storm cloud. The title talk has ceased suddenly, and the confident air with which each of the numerous championship chasers has been putting forward his claims has given way to uneasiness. The cloud is the shadow of Sam Langford, and the return home of that dusky miller after a long absence in Australia is the cause of the unrest among the valiant warriors who, until now, have been proclaiming loudly their willingness and eagerness to prove their rights to the title by mopping up various rings with all competitors.

"Porky" Flynn may have been telling the truth when he said after his return to this country recently that Langford had gone back far beyond the point at which he could be considered dangerous, but none of the white mixers appears anxious to prove this to his own satisfaction.

Langford breezed in with the announcement that he was ready to fight any or all of the heavyweights now setting up title claims, but beyond the reported clinching of a match with Joe Jeanette for a ten-round bout in New York soon his efforts to find work for himself have been futile.

Pelkey, Willard, Smith, Palzer and the rest have not seriously injured one another in a mad rush to grab Langford's challenge, and it begin to look as if the "tar baby" will find himself frozen out of the championship doings.

That Jeanette would be about the first to stack up against Langford was generally expected. Joe is one of the regulars that Langford keeps planted where he can be found easily when Sam needs work.

Sam McVey and Jim Barry have been played to the limit, but Langford can still get a few nickels with Jeanette.

Already the men have met eight times. Once, back in 1905, Jeanette got the decision in eight rounds, but since than Langford has won three times on points, two bouts have been draws and two have been no-decision affairs.

When he left suddenly for Australia, Langford was accused of running out of reach of a match with Jeanette, but well-posted fight followers were merely amused at these charges. They suspect that the Boston "man-killer" has been jockeying with Jeanette just as he has done with other men whom he could have beaten in jig time had he tried, making one bout close enough to get another match and a good gate. They believe that when Sam reckons the proper time has arrived he will sail in and beat Jeanette by a knockout just as he did with McVey.

No ordinary faker is this Langford. He is such an expert ring workman that the wisest of the referees cannot tell when he is "cheating."

At his best there isn't a question that he could beat all the other heavyweights of today, white or black, one after another, but the doubt of his being still at his best is the one thing that lends interest to his match with Jeanette.

There is no assurance that this bout will answer the question, however, as Langford will have "better" reasons than ever before for holding back. If he beats Jeanette he will kill off a meal ticket and at the same time throw such a scare into the ranks of the white hopes that it will be useless for him to look for a match in that direction. So, in all probability, we shall be treated to another of Sammy's "close finishes"—close only because he wants to make it so.

MAKE GOOD OR RUN.

Ritchie Accepts Challenge for $25,000 Scrap.

LOS ANGELES.—Willie Ritchie is there with the "come-back" thing. The lightweight champion hands Wolgast an answer well calculated to curl the hair about little Adolph's temples.

Wolgast has posted $1,000 with Jim Jeffries, the same to go as a forfeit on a $25,000 side bet to Ritchie. One-half this amount was to be bet that Wolgast would whip the title holder in a twenty-round battle, the other half to go as a straight wager that he would knock out, stop or force Ritchie to quit inside the limit.

"We call Wolgast's proposition," said Ritchie. "We accept Wolgast's invitation just as it lays. The only stipulation we make is that half the amount, $12,500 be posted on the day the articles are signed, the remainder to go up ten days before the contest.

"I will be tickled half to death to take Ad on again. I have been passing his case up because I feared that he was no longer a drawing card. But with a bet of this kind I can't afford to let him slip out of my hands. He'll have to make good now or run."

CARPENTIER, FRENCH BOXER, NOW A BIG HIT ON STAGE

NEW YORK.—Tom O'Rourke is in receipt of a letter from Monsieur Vienne, the Parisian boxing promoter, offering him a match for Palzer with Carpentier some time this fall. Mr. Vienne stated that a match between Palzer and Jeanette would not be an attraction, nor, as a matter of fact, any other black man. Carpentier is all the rage in fight circles in France, and would draw an immense gate with a white man of reputation who had not fought in Paris. O'Rourke thinks well of the proposition and will proceed to close the match with Monsieur Vienne.

In speaking of Carpentier, who is now doing a theatrical stunt at the Grand Opera House in London, Eugene Katz, an old Chicago newspaper man, who is now in London, writes as follows:

"Carpentier, compared with Bombardier Wells, looks like a welterweight, being much lighter and fully a head shorter than the Engfilishman. The French champion has a fairly good left, but it seldom lands where he wants it to . He has no right to speak of and knows absolutely nothing about defense. He would last about three rounds with Johnson, even in Johnson's present condition. Unfortunately, however, none of the Gibbonses or McGoortys would have much of a chance with him, as they are just dubs. Langford, unless he has gone back greatly since I saw him two years ago, would lick him easily.

BEFORE THEY WERE STARS.

Several Famous Harness Horses Used for Business Purposes.

In spite of all the consistent efforts of the breeders to secure fashionably bred trotters and pacers to carry the colors of their stables, year after year, there comes into the limelight more than one horse of consequence that apparently had been doomed to a life of drudgery and sordidness.

Nowadays, plow horses, truck horses, mail wagon horses and even horses that have hauled garbage wagons are common on the Grand Circuit, and it is interesting to note some of the more famous ones of the past few years.

Perhaps R. C. T., 2:06¾, in Tommy Murphy's stable, is the best known. Before he swept through the Grand Circuit and became the most-talked-of horse of the year, R. T. C. was an ordinary farm horse, and earned his feed by the sweat of his brow, so to speak, drawing a plow. It was but natural that some turf newspaper writer should christen him "The Plow Horse," and such has he remained to this day.

Thistle Doune, 2:09¼, once labored for Uncle Sam by pulling a rural free delivery wagon over the confines of Cuyahoga county. Thistle Doune earned a right respectable reputation as a race horse and bids fair to outshine that record as a sire.

Jim B., 2:12¼, whom Murphy will in all probability start in The Edwards Stake, not so long ago hauled a garbage wagon through the back alleys of Albany, which training seems to have done him no harm, as he won nine of his ten races last year and was second in the only race he lost.

Tom King, 2:13¼, the South Dakota pacer, jumped from a herd of broncho ponies into the limelight as a wiggler of some class and took his record the first year out. His parentage, of course, is unknown, but that does not seem to have deterred Tom in his ability to pace and pace fast.

Pickles, 2:03¼, the sensational pacing mare that Vance Nuckols, the Cleveland trainer, will race this year on the Grand Circuit, once upon a time furnished the "one-horse power" at a sorghu mmill away down South in Dixie, where she was bred. It is said that her ability to make the circle so well at the mill accounts for her consistency on the race track.

Peggy from Paris, 2:12, owned by Captain David Shaw, of Cleveland, and trained by the well-known Mike McDevitt, was bred at Grand Rapids, Mich., and Peggy's first years were spent on a Kent county farm, where she labored day in and day out, helping till the soil. It is needless to add that she is another "plow horse."

Out on the Pacific coast is a trotter of more than ordinary merit which they call "the cow horse." This is none other than Prince of Peleg, 2:16½, and it seemed that he earned his sobriquet from the fact that before he became famous on the race course he was what Western folk call a "cow pony."

The history of the trotting turf is full of just such instances as have been mentioned, and harness horsemen look for a "phenom" to spring fro malmost anywhere. These sensational trotters and pacers, coming as they do from the most unexpected sources, but add to the interest of the sport, and there is no doubt but that when the turf history of 1913 is written it will be found that the champion trotter o fthe year pulled a beer wagon in Keokuk, Ia., some time in his life.

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LANGFORD AND JOHNSON TO BATTLE FOR TITLE.

Big Smoke to Receive $30,000 Win, Lose or Draw—To Stage Bout In Paris.

BOSTON, August 4.—Sam Langford, through his manager, Joe Woodman has confirmed the report that he has agreed to meet Jack Johnson in Paris this fall to settle the heavyweight championship of the world. According to the announcement the fight is to be ewenty rounds. Johnson is to receive a $30,000 guarantee, win, lose or draw, and Langford is to receive 25 per cent of the gross receipts. Leading fight promoters estimate that the fight will draw more than $100,000 at the gate.

SMITH STOPS JIM FLYNN.

Gunboat, Teeming with Elation, Issues Sweeping Challenge.

NEW YORK.—Gunboat Smith, teeming with elation over having beaten Fireman Jim Flynn at the Garden A. C. last Friday night before a crowd of ten thousand, has issued a sweeping defi that he is ready and willing to meet Jack Johnson, Sam Langford "or anyone in the world" for a finish fight, winner take all.

For the first time in some months the spectators at a bout here touted as a fast affair got their money's worth in the matter of action. Smith constantly hammered Flynn with heavy blows, but the fireman kept boring in.

Flynn was floored five times in the fifth round, and Referee Johns stopped the fight and gave the bout to Smith on a knockout. There was little real science shown by either fighter. Flynn started in to rush things, and couldn't carry it through.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA.

Blackstockings Take Three Out of Four—Beat the All-Stars of Washington, D. C.

The Blackstockings played the All-Stars of Washington, D. C., July 31, August 1 and 2, and took three of the four games. Score by innings:

Blackstockings ....0 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 1—3 3 1
All-Stars ....0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—2 2 1

Batteries—Smith and Grant; Martin and Given. Time—1:59. Umpire—Mr. Flemming.

Blackstockings ......0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0 2 6
All-Stars ....0 0 0 0 3 0 0 0 1—4 6 1

Batteries—Jones and Grant; Martin, Ford and Givens. Time—1:54. Umpire—Mr. Flemming.

Blackstockings ......0 0 2 0 0 1 0 0 *—3 5 2
All-Stars ....0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0—1 3 3

Batteries—Monroe and Hill; Rixey and Givens. Time—1:56. Umpire—Mr. Flemming.

Blackstockings ......0 0 2 0 1 0 2 0 *—5 7 1
All-Stars ....0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0—1 2 3

Batteries—Smith and Grant; Martin, Ford, Rixey and Givens. Time—1:50. Umpire—Mr. Flemming.

C. C. Cunningham is manager; Johnny E. Jones, secretary; office, 615 23rd street, Newport News, Va.

A. B. C.'S BEAT SPRUDELS.

West Baden Met Stinging Defeat—Almost a Shut-Out—Score 5 to 1.

Before a crowd of 2,000 baseball enthusiasts, the Sprudels, the crack team of West Baden, fell victims to the A. B. C.'s at Northwestern park last Sunday.

The pitching of Griffin was a feature. He was as regular as a clock. If the Sprudels found him they did not show it very much.

The A. B. C.'s were great in the field. Nothing escapedthat came within reaching distance.

The West Badens got nervous after the A. B. C.'s got in the lead. A few good ones were missed, permitting scores.

The score:

W. Baden	AB	H	O	A	E
Shively, lf	4	1	1	1	0
Brown, cf	4	1	1	0	0
Clarke, ss	4	1	2	4	1
Lewis, 3b	3	0	0	2	0
O'Neil, c	4	1	7	0	0
Kendall, 2b	3	0	0	1	0
McMurray, 1b	3	0	13	2	0
Bingham, rf	3	1	0	0	1
Miller, p	3	0	0	4	0
Totals	31	5	24	14	2
A. B. C.'s—	AB	H	O	A	E
Dupuis, 2b	4	1	3	4	1
Seldon, ss	3	1	2	5	0
Briscoe, cf	4	0	3	0	0
Allen, 3b	4	0	3	0	0
Davis, lf	3	2	2	1	1
Floyd, rf	4	2	1	0	0
Lyons, 1b	2	0	10	3	0
Watts, c	3	0	3	0	0
Griffin, p	3	0	1	1	0
Totals	30	8	27	14	2

W. Baden..0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0—1
A. B. C.s...0 2 0 1 1 1 0 0 *—5

Runs—Allen, Davis 3, Clarke, Seldon. Left on bases—A. B. C.s, 4; Sprudels, 4. Struck out—By Griffin, 1; by Miller, 5. Two-base hits—Allen, Davis 2, Shively. Three-base hit—Hannibal. Double plays—Dupuis to Seldon to Lyons; Clarke to BcMurray. Stolen bases—Clarke, Davis, Briscoe, Kendall. Passed ball—Watts. Umpire—Puryear. Time—1:23. Attendance—2,280.

MANAGER IMPORTANT IN MAKING A FIGHTER.

(By Ray C. Pearson.)

When a prize fighter gains the toptung of the ladder in the particular division to which he belongs, he is praised and feted by those who follow the sport of pugilism. He is called the greatest that ever climbed through the ropes, and on every hand he is boosted for the ability he has displayed in making his fight from the bottom to the top.

That has been the history of champion making for years, and the chances are there will be no change in the system. No credit should be taken away from the boy who by cleverness or hard hitting has made a success of the fighting game. That all belongs to him. But does all the credit really belong to the successful fighter?

That question was asked of a local fighter the other day, and the answer was in the negative, for the fighter in question has views of his own which he is willing to voice whether or not any of the credit for his own success is taken from himself.

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The following statement from him will be interesting to the fight fans:

"I believe that the success of most of the pugilists who have reached the top rank is due to the fact that they had a good manager, one who could pilot the malong, not only with the box office returns in consideration, but with the protection of the boxer as the most important thing."

The position of manager to a successful boxer never has been one that won great praise for the simple reason that his light was "hidden under a bushel," because of the greater halo surmounting the pugilist himself. But when all things are taken into consideration it is more than evident that the manager has been of far greater importance to the fighter than he ever had been given credit for.

Johnny Coulon, world's champion bantamweight, is one of the boys who has reached the top, and incidentally he is one of the fighters who is willing to give the manager the credit that really belongs to him. It so happens that little Coulon had something more than a manager when he made his successful advance from a mere nothing in pugilism to the championship throne, the only manager he ever had being his father, Emil Coulon. Coulon, pater, died a couple of years ago, and Johnny has been going it alone ever since.

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Of course, it is only natural that the champion should give his father a lot of credit for making him champion, but Johnny does not lay all his success to the fatherly interest taken in him. He conceded a considerable amount to the astute management, for young Coulon does not believe that any boxer ever had the good fortune to have a better manager than his father, which goes to accentuate the fact that "smart" managers are essential to the success of the boys in the ring.

Coulon's case was one where careful management was necessary. When he first began boxing as an amateur, he was a rough, hard hitting kid, and not overburdened with the science of the game. Father Coulon was quick to see that he needed some pointers, particularly those in the defensive end of the game. So he got George Siler, one of the greatest referees in the ring, who also is numbered among those who have "passed," to help the kid. Siler liked little Johnny, and every Sunday afternoon at Siler's home the referee and the kid donned the gloves. Johnny was quick to learn and it wasn't long before he was ready to jump from the amateur ranks to the professional.

When he did make this jump the shaping of his career became of great importance, for Johnny was far from a finished boxer. There were many things he needed to know and some of them could be learned only by actual combat in the ring. So it was up to Father Coulon to pilot him along with care, so that the kid would not be overmatched. The father-manager realized that if he put Johnny against a boy too good for him the kid might receive a licking which might for all time stop his progress as a boxer.

So Johnny was carried along slowly, and all the time he was receiving more pointers from Siler. He went along nicely until he met a boy named "Kid" Murphy, in a bout at Milwaukee. That bout showed Johnny as well as Manager Coulon that the kid didn't know it all by a good many miles. It also showed one weak spot in Johnny's defense, for when Murphy got the Chicago kid on the ropes Coulon threw his head back instead of coming inside the punches. The result was Murphy landed hard and often on Johnny's jaw, and at the end of ten rounds the verdict belonged to Murphy by a wide margin. After that battle the manager and Siler got together and showed Johnny how to get inside the punches, and there has never been any trouble on that score since.

Coulon never was overmatched as long as his father was at the helm, and he believes that the fact that he is champion today is because he was carefully managed.

Many another fighter has been carried along by a clever manager to finally reach the goal of his ambition—the championship, and there have been several others who, while they haven't become members of the select championship class, are so close to it that they have become great money earners.

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Packey McFarland is one of those who does not hold a title. When he was young in the game he was cleverly handled by Harry Gilmore, Jr., who made good matches for hi muntil they had a falling out. After that Emil Thiry took hold of the managerial end of McFarland's affairs, and the "Dutchman" has been piloting Packey along a winning road ever since.

Take the case of Luther McCarty, the world's heavyweight champion, for instance, and one finds that good management has made hi ma title holder in a remarkably short space of time. McCarty appeared in Chicago about a year and a half ago and started working at O'Connell's gymnasium. He had a manager who was of the "no good" type at that time and as a result he got nowhere. The manager was of so little account that McCarty was [illegible] to do any more training at the gymnasium.

Not long after that Luther landed in Springfield, Mo., his home town, and while there he met Billy McCarney, of Philadelphia, who had had considerable experience in managing fighters. McCarney thought that McCarty had the making of a good ring man, and took him under his management. He piloted Luther to a victory, and since has seen Luther stop Al Palzer and Jim Flynn, the Pueblo fireman. It took good management to bring about that result, and Billy McCarney deserves credit for bringing McCarty to the front.

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MUSKOGEE (OKLA.) NEWS.

(By John W. Williams.)

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Miss Ora B. Owens, of Louisville, Ky., was the guest last week of Miss Ella B. Preston.

Mrs. Irving Thompson, of Terre Haute, was the guest of Mrs. J. C. Farmer in Oxford street.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Wood are the proud parents of an eight-pound baby boy, born August 3.

Mr. John Coleman, of this city, is patrolman of the U. B. of F., which is now in session in this city.

Miss Daisy Warren, of Frankfort, Ky., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Harriet Holmes, of the Wilkerson hotel.

Mrs. Della Pettis, of St. Paul, Minn., has returned home after a week's visit with Mrs. Sallie Brown.

On account of the burning of the Alpha Home, several of the inmates are sheltered at the Lincoln hospital.

Mr. Ben Alexander, grand master of the U. B. of F., of New Albany, is in the city, attending the sessions.

A lawn fete for the benefit of the hospital is to be given at the residence of C. M. C. Willis, Monday evening, August 18.

Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, formerly of Indianapolis, is expected to visit here the latter part of August or in September. She now lives in Dayton, O.

Mrs. Minnie Wheat and daughter Lula, of Springfield, Ill., are visiting their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Richard I. Jackson, of 919 North Pennsylvania street.

First quarterly meeting at the Hosbrook Mission, Sunday, August 17. Communion at 3 p. m. Rev. C. H. Brown, presiding elder; Rev. S. S. Greene, pastor.

Mr. Ray W. Baskerville, of St. Louis, Mo., air brake inspector of the M. & O. railroad, was in the city last Wednesday. He was on his way East, taking his vacation.

Mrs. Walter J. Hodge left this week for Boston, Mass., to join Mrs. Hodge. From there they will go to Philadelphia to attend the sessions of the Negro Business League.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Holland, of Chattanooga, Tenn., spent Wednesday of this week with Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Booth. Mr. Holland is one of Chattanooga's well-known business men.

Mrs. Alice C. Garvin, of Mammoth Cave, Ky., will arrive in the city on the 18th of this month en route to St. Paul, Minn., and while here will be the guest of her sister, Miss Ella C. Preston.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Watson entertained at dinner last Thursday evening in honor of Mrs. George Bynum, of Wilson, N. C., and Mrs. Irving Thompson, of Terre Haute, Ind. Covers were laid for eight.

Mrs. Riley Roberts, wife of Riley E. Roberts, owner of the Hoosier theater, was thrown from an Indiana avenue street car at Indiana avenue and Michigan street last Tuesday night and was quite seriously hurt, but is much improved at present.

Attorney W. W. Johnson, of Chicago, has been in Indiana for several days, taking in Seymour, North Vernon, also Louisville, Kyfl. He came to Indianapolis to attend the Shriners' meeting. He is a member of that lodge. He left for his home Wednesday evening.

Mr. Beverly Motley, one of Chicago's prominent letter carriers, is visiting in the city, the guest of his brother, Mr. Thomas A. Motley, owner and manager of Motley's cafe. Messrs. Motley are contemplating motoring to the west Michigan resort at Benton Harbor, Mich.

Are the people of Indianapolis interested in young ladies' athletics, such as basketball, indoor baseball, etc.? If so, further information may be obtained from the Afro-American Athletic Club, 32 Paisley street, Dayton, O. This month is the best time to look into such affairs.

A HINT TO THE WISE IS SUFFICIENT.

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UNITED BROTHERS HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

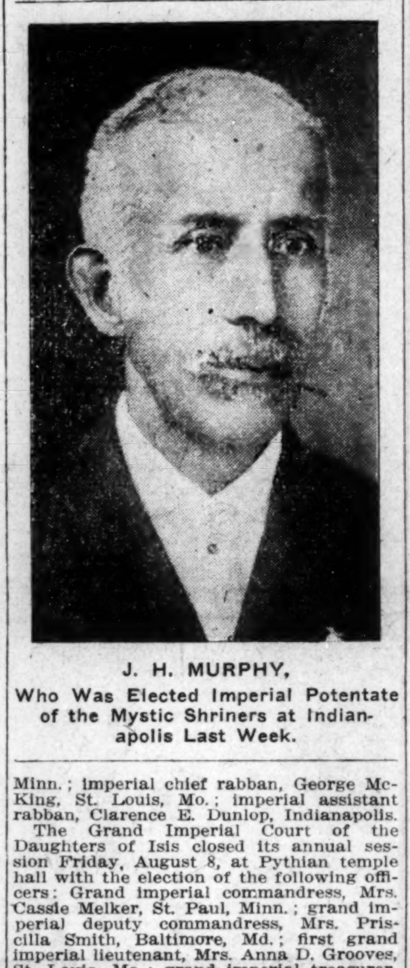
State Grand Lodge Convenes in Odd Fellows' Hall.

The state grand lodge of the United Brothers of Friendship and the Sisters of the Mysterious Ten held their annual meeting beginning Tuesday, August 13, and winding up on Friday, August 15, with a picnic and dance at the State Fair Grounds. The meeting opened Tuesday night with a reception in the lodge hall of Sumner Lodge No. 17, in the Odd Fellows' building in Indiana avenue. The Rev. F. F. Young, of Indianapolis, delivered the address of welcome. An orchestra provided music and several vocal numbers were given. Except for the appointment of committees, no business was transacted. On Wednesday, B. B. Alexander, grand master of the order, delivered his address. There were many delegates in attendance.

J. H. MURPHY NEW HEAD OF MYSTIC SHRINERS

Election Closes the Imperial Council Meeting—Daughters of Isis Officers. Daughters of Isis.

The election of officers of the Imperial Council of Mystic Shriners was the most important incident of the closing of the fifteenth annual session here last week. John H. Murphy, of Baltimore, for the last years imperial recorder, was unanimously elected to the office of imperial potentate. Mr. Murphy is a native of Baltimore, where he conducts a large job printing establishment and has for the last twenty-one years been owner and publisher of the Afro-American Ledger, the most widely read and circulated Negro journal published in the vicinity. He has been identified with the Shriners since their organization and has been prominent in Masonic circles for thirty-eight years.



J. H. MURPHY,

Who Was Elected Imperial Potentate of the Mystic Shriners at Indianapolis Last Week.

The other officers are deputy imperial potentate, Joseph L. Sherwood, St. Paul, Minn.; imperial chief rabban, George McKing, St. Louis, Mo.; imperial assistant rabban, Clarence E. Dunlop, Indianapolis.

The Grand Imperial Court of the Daughters of Isis closed its annual session Friday, August 8, at Pythian temple hall with the election of the following officers: Grand imperial commandress, Mrs. Cassie Melker, St. Paul, Minn.; grand imperial deputy commandress, Mrs. Priscilla Smith, Baltimore, Md.; first grand imperial lieutenant, Mrs. Anna D. Grooves, St. Louis, Mo.; grand imperial treasurer, Mrs. Laura Williams, Washington, D. C.; imperial grand recordress, Mrs. Laura Harris, Memphis, Tenn.; first grand imperial ceremonial daughter, Mrs. Ward, Philadelphia, Pa.; second ceremonial daughter, Mrs. Marion Price, New York City; oriental guide, Mrs. Anna Fisher, Pittsburg, Pa.; grand imperial inner spy, Mrs. Gertrude Pritchett, Indianapolis; grand imperial outer spy, Mrs. Anna Crooker, Chicago; imperial recorder, Levi Williams, Jersey City, N. J.; imperial treasurer, J. Frank Blagburn, Washington, D. C.; imperial oriental guide, George H. Wharton, Philadelphia, Pa.; imperial grand marshal, Howard W. Pinn, Boston. The next meeting of the council will be held at Pittsburg, Pa., the first week in August, 1914.

FIRE AT THE ALPHA HOME.

Eight of the Inmates Have Narrow Escape—Building Partly Burned.

Eight aged women, inmates of the Alpha Home for Aged Colored Women, 2002 Darwin street, had narrows from being burned to death shortly before 11 o'clock last Saturday night, when fire was discovered in the kitchen of the building.

The screams of the women aroused a number of persons in the neighborhood and the women, six of them helpless, were rescued. None of them was injured. Most of the women are very old and it was with difficulty that they were carried to safety by members of the fire department and persons in the vicinity. The fire was discovered by Mrs. Virginia Crusius, the matron, who hurried to the kitchen when she smelled smoke. Mrs. Crusius wound the kitchen in flames and immediately ran up stairs where she awakened the other women. By the time Mrs. Crusius had aroused the women the flames had gained such headway that they were unable to walk downstairs by the stairway.

Ladders Are Used.

When the fire department arrived several ladders were raised to the second story of the house and the women were carried over a porch roof and down the ladders. The fire started near a stove in the kitchen and it is believed that mice and matches were the cause. The women rescued were Mrs. Crusius, Mrs. Mary Dorsey, age eighty-eight, a paralytic; Mrs. Lizzie Clark, age sixty; Mrs. Roxanna DeLutz, age seventy; Mrs. Nancy Riley, age ninety; Mrs. Margaret La Blune, age one hundred and five; Mrs. Mary Dixon, age seventy-five, and Mrs. Eliza Ellis, age seventy-five. Mrs. DeLutz has been blind for several years.

Second Fire in Two Years.

The home was a two-story frame building, and was partly destroyed by fire about two years ago. Dr. E. C. Atkins, the home physician, who happened to be in the neighborhood, assisted in the rescue work. The loss was estimated at $1,200. The women were taken to homes in the vicinity of the fire, where they will be cared for until other arrangements can be made.

CITY AND VICINITY.

The Alpha Home picnic is the main attraction for this week.

Indianapolis has been the seat of many conventions this summer.

Mr. A. E. Manning, of the Indianapolis World, left Friday to visit points in the East.

Mrs. Roxie Higgs entertained at a musical Wednesday evening, in honor of Mrs. Tillie Mitchell, of Los Angeles, Cal.

The plunge at the Y. M. C. A. is the only refuge for the hot weather, and the members are enjoying it immensely.

Mrs. Maria J. Potter, of Bowling Green, Ky., is visiting her grandson, Benjamin Potter, of 1133 North Tremont street, this week.

The Indiana District of the Lexington Conference is in session at Barnes Chapel. About one hundred delegates are present.

Mr. John Riley, a local representative and agent of The Freeman at Jeffersonville, Ind., is in the city, attending the Lexington Conference, this week.

The U. B. F. and A. M. T. are holding their annual convention at Odd Fellows' Hall this week. A large picnic was given at the fair grounds on Friday.

Mme. C. J. Walker entertained in honor of the Misses Cox, Wednesday evening, with a short musical program. Dr. I. Thomas and Noble Sissle contributed to the program.

Miss Lillian Curry, of Chicago, was in the city Monday and Tuesday, and spent several hours Monday evening at the beautiful residence of Mrs. Todd, in North Delaware street.

The State Baptist Association and the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, in joint assembly, which convened here last week, unanimously indorsed Mme. C. J. Walker's goods and her splendid methods of business.

Mme. C. J. Walker, accompanied by her assistant, Mrs. A. P. Kelly, left Thursday morning in her touring car en route to New York, going by the way of Cleveland, Buffalo and Boston. The Madame will reach Philadelphia, Pa., in time to attend the Business Men's League, and will also visit Baltimore, Md., to attend the K. of P. encampment of the Supreme Lodge, after which she will visit Washington, D. C., at which place she hopes to establish her goods. Her trip will be entirely in the interest of her business.

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LINCOLN INSTITUTE OF KENTUCKY

The fall term opens on Wednesday, September 17. Most of the students of last year are planning to return. One man has written that he is so pleased with what his daughter gained last year that he intends to send three more children this fall. Rates have been made as low as possible, and large opportunities are given to students to earn part of their expenses.

A school year of thirty-six weeks is planned, so that as full opportunities as are offered by any white school are open to the colored people of Kentucky. Four grades, three normal courses, also courses in music, agriculture, dairying, mechanical engineering, carpentry, cooking and dressmaking are offered.

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PHILADELPHIANS TO RECEIVE PRESS CONVENTION.

The following well-known Philadelphians, newspaper men, prominent citizens interested in the future of the Afro-American press and well-wishers generally, constitute the local committee on arrangements to receive delegates and friends of the National Negro Press Association, which holds its fifth annual convention in the Quaker City, Monday and Tuesday, August 18 and 19: Dr. R. R. Wright, Jr., chairman; A. P. Caldwell, vice chairman; Chris J. Perry, Rev. S. J. Jones, Bishop G. L. Blackwell, Rev. Henry Y. Arnett, Hon. Harry W. Bass, H. W. Porter, Rev. G. L. P. Taliaferro, Rev. W. A. Creditt, Hon. George H. White, Hon. R. A. Cooper, G. Grant Williams, Dr. A. B. Jackson, Bishop L. J. Coppin, Everett J. Waring, Dr. N. F. Mossell, Rev. L. G. Jordan, John Clinton, Jr., Whittier H. Wright, Alex. L. Manly, Rev. P. A. Wallace, Rev. M. B. Anderson, Charles H. Brooks.

The sessions of the National Negro Press Association will be held morning, afternoon and night, August 18 and 19, and will be open to the public. The object of the organization is to bring the press and the people into closer communion; hence the president and official staff urge a large attendance of the laity as well as of the craft itself. The meetings will ope neach morning about 10 o'clock in the auditorium of the Cherry street Memorial Baptist church, by invitation of the congregation and its pastor, Rev. W. A. Creditt.

The officers of the National Negro Press Association are: President, R. W. Thompson, Washington, D. C.; first vice president, Joseph L. Jones, Cincinnati, Ohio; second vice president, Rev. S. J. Jones, Philadelphia, Pa.; corresponding secretary, Henry Allen Boyd, Nashville, Tenn.; recording secretary, W. H. Craighead, Harrisburg, Pa.; assistant recording secretary, George W. Harris, New York City; treasurer, John L. Thompson, Des Moines, Iowa; chairman of the executive committee, N. B. Dodson, Brooklyn, N. Y.

DULUTH, MINN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The City Federation held its first annual picnic Thursday, July 31, at Lester park, which was well enjoyed by all who attended. The field sports and races concluded the afternoon's program.....A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. Sjragin, of 815 East Eighth street, July 28....Mrs. Walter Hazel, 819 Fifth avenue, E., is able to be up again and getting along nicely.

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COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE.

State of Indiana, Marion county, ss:
In the Circuit Court of Marion county, in the State of Indiana.
No. 22746.
Wm. H. Finchum vs. Lillian M. Finchum.
Complaint—Divorce.

Be it known, that on the 2nd day of August, 1913, the above named plaintiff, by his attorney, filed in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion county, in the State of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant, Lillian M. Finchum, and the said plaintiff having also filed in said clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant, Lillian M. Finchum, is not a resident of the State of Indiana; that said cause is for divorce, and said defendant is the necessary party thereto; and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 6th day of October, 1913.

Now therefore, by order of said court, defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her, and that unless she appears and answers or demurs thereto at the calling of said cause on the 6th day of October, 1913, the same being the 5th judicial day of a term of said court, to be begun and held at the Court House in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in October, 1913, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged will be heard and determined in her absence.

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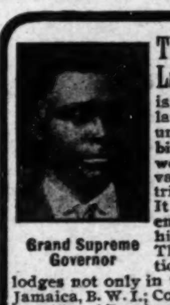

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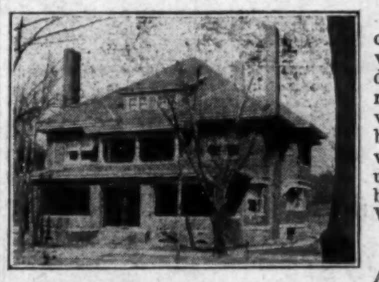

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